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PUBLIC NOTICES

URBAN DISTRICT OF BROADSTAIRS & ST. PETER'S

Shops Acts, 1912-1938

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Closing Order, a copy of which is annexed hereto, made by the Council, has been confirmed by the Secretary of State. A copy of the Order may be obtained by any person whom it may concern on application at the Council Offices, Pierremont Hall, Broadstairs.

Dated this 7th day of August, 1941.

E. F. OWEN
Clerk of the Council.

SHOPS CLOSING ORDER, 1941

The Council of the Urban District of Broadstairs and St. Peter's in pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by the Shops Acts, 1912 to 1938, and after due compliance with the provisions thereof, do hereby order as follows:

1. This Order, which may be cited as "The Broadstairs and St. Peter's (Shops) Closing Order 1941," applies to all shops in the Urban District of Broadstairs and St. Peter's in which any retail trade or business is carried on, other than the trade or business of a hairdresser or barber or the trade or business of selling newspapers, periodicals, books, table waters, sweets, chocolates, or other sugar confectionery or ice-cream, or tobacco and smokers' requisites or the transactions mentioned in the First Schedule to the Shops (Hours of Closing) Act, 1928.

2. All shops to which this Order applies shall be closed for serving customers on the several days of the week at and after the following hours respectively:

Day of Week.	Closing Hour.
Monday	7 p.m.
Tuesday	7 p.m.
Wednesday	7 p.m.
Thursday	7 p.m.
Friday	7 p.m.
Saturday	8 p.m.

Provided that nothing in this Order shall affect the obligation of an occupier to close his shop at 1 p.m. on one weekday in each week for the weekly half-holiday in accordance with section 4 of the Shops Act, 1912, and any order made thereunder, and that on the day of the weekly half-holiday the closing hour fixed by Article 2 of this Order shall not apply.

3. Where any trade or business other than a trade or business to which this order applies is carried on in any shop to which this order applies such shop may, subject to the provisions of any other order or enactment for the time being in force, be kept open after the closing hour fixed by Article 2 of this Order for the purpose of the first-mentioned trade or business alone, provided that:

(a) after the said closing hour there shall be exhibited in some conspicuous places on the exterior and in the interior of such shop notices in letters of the size of not less than two inches containing the following words:
SHOPS ACT, 1912. THIS SHOP IS CLOSED FOR TO-DAY EXCEPT FOR (THE SALE BY RETAIL OF) or (THE TRADE OR BUSINESS OF)

(b) so far as reasonably practicable no goods in connection with the trade or business for which the shop is required to be closed shall be exhibited either inside or outside the shop.

Dated this Fifth day of May, 1941.

THE COMMON SEAL of the BROADSTAIRS & ST. PETER'S URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL was hereunto affixed in the presence of:

(Sgd.) B. J. Pearson
Chairman
L.S.
(Sgd.) E. F. Owen
Clerk

In pursuance of Section 6 (2) of the above Act, 1912, I hereby confirm the foregoing Order

(Sgd.) HERBERT MORRISON
One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Whitehall.
22nd July, 1941.

BOROUGH OF RAMSGATE

Election of Councillors to Fill Casual Vacancies

THE Town Council will shortly take steps to fill five casual vacancies which have occurred in the membership of the Council.

Any organisation or individual desirous of nominating any person or persons to fill any of the vacancies is requested to send in writing the name, address and description of such person or persons to the undersigned.

H. G. CURTIS
Town Clerk.

Clarendon House.
5th August, 1941.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I, HENRY RIGDEN, of 28 Staffordshire-street, Ramsgate, wish to give notice that I no longer hold myself responsible for the debts which may be incurred by my wife, Mrs. Helen Rigden.

(Sgd.) HENRY RIGDEN.

PARENTS' GOOD SENSE

RAMSGATE HOPES TO AVOID PROSECUTIONS

An appeal to parents to co-operate, but at the same time a warning that if they did not do so the local authority would have no option but to prosecute, was given by the chairman (Councillor Rev. Harcourt Samuel) when the question of evacuated schoolchildren returning to the town was considered at a meeting of Ramsgate Education Committee on Friday.

The chairman said he thought it was well-known that if children were brought back to the town the parents, or those responsible, must report the fact to the Education Committee, but it did not appear to be quite so well understood that the instructions of the committee then issued must be obeyed. Failure to comply with the instructions was an offence under the Defence Regulations and punishable by heavy penalties.

"I should like to make it plain," said Councillor Harcourt Samuel, "that by the instructions of the Regional Commissioner for Civil Defence this committee has no option but to require that children brought back to the town shall be sent away again.

"The committee realise the very natural desire of parents whose children have been away for a long period to have them back for a holiday but in the case of children so brought back the Regional Commissioner has intimated that the period for which they remain must be strictly limited, and the children must be sent away again by the date the committee fixes. In present circumstances it is quite impossible for permission to be given for children to return permanently.

Instructed to Prosecute.

"The Regional Commissioner has instructed this authority to prosecute parents who do not comply with the instructions given them, but I hope such proceedings will not be found necessary. I feel sure we can rely on the good sense of the parents of this borough and I believe they will cheerfully accept any hardship that is involved as a contribution towards the security of the country and the winning of the war."

Councillor C. R. Woodhams asked what steps were taken to try and secure the evacuation of children in Ramsgate who became of school age during the year.

The Secretary (Mr. S. V. West) said that when the compulsory registration of schoolchildren took place parents were invited to send their children away and they succeeded in getting a party of 26, who went off to Stafford the following week.

Councillor Woodhams said he thought it was their duty to try and get parents who had not evacuated their children to see eye to eye with the other parents who had done their duty and allowed their children to go to a safer area.

The chairman said when the town was periodically canvassed by wardens they tried to persuade parents to send their children away.

A Great Deal of Dissatisfaction.

Councillor F. C. Miller asked if they could approach the Regional Commissioner pointing out that a great deal of dissatisfaction existed in the town on account of the distinction between children who had remained and children who had been evacuated. They were half-and-half compulsorily evacuated so why not have full evacuation of the children?

The chairman said that had already been pointed out. They had pointed out that the loyal people who had permitted their children to go away could not have them back. The Government would not face up to compulsory evcauation.

Councillor Miller: Yet they face a half-and-half measure.

The chairman said he did not think it was possible for them to do anything more in the circumstances. The authorities were aware of their feeling and there they must leave it with regret.

FOSTER PARENTS' HOLIDAY

To allow their foster parents to go on holiday, children evacuated from Southend are being allowed to return home for a maximum period of 14 days up to 31st August.

LOSS TO THE BENCH

At the Cinque Ports police court, Margate, on Monday, the chairman, Mr. W. Tomlin, referring to the loss the bench had sustained by the death of Mr. J. A. Forde, said he had been a member for the past 20 years.

"He was a regular attendant," said Mr. Tomlin, "and was chairman of the juvenile committee, in which he took a very great interest. Mr. Forde was a conscientious, trustworthy and good all-round man on whose judgment we all came to rely."

Officials and press stood in tribute to his memory and the Clerk (Mr. C. C. Maughan) was instructed to send a letter of sympathy to Mrs. Forde and her family.

BLACK-OUT TIMES

To-day ...	9.0 p.m.—5.11 a.m.
Wednesday ..	8.58 p.m.—5.13 a.m.
Thursday ...	8.56 p.m.—5.14 a.m.
Friday ...	8.54 p.m.—5.12 a.m.
Saturday ...	8.52 p.m.—5.11 a.m.
Sunday ...	8.50 p.m.—5.9 a.m.
Monday ...	8.48 p.m.—5.7 a.m.

ONE HOUR OF SCHOOL

RAMSGATE HOME TUITION

Ramsgate's home tuition scheme for children who have not been evacuated will come into operation on Monday, 25th August.

Centres are to be opened at Ellington, Dame Janet, Hereson and St. George's Schools. For the present attendance will be limited to children between the ages of six and 14 years and at no time will it be permissible for more than 20 children to be on the premises at one time.

Each child will attend for an hour a day, when homework will be set.

Miss E. M. Dexter, headmistress of Ellington Senior Girls' School, will be in charge of the centres at Ellington and Dame Janet, and Mr. John Hartley, headmaster of Ellington Senior Boys', will be responsible for Hereson and St. George's.

The assistant teachers will be: Ellington—Miss Andrews and Mr. Hearnden; Dame Janet—Miss Crout and Mr. Willson; Hereson—Miss Foreman and Mr. Finigan; St. George's—Mrs. Clamp and Mr. Copping.

Teachers will attend the centres on Thursday and Friday, 21st and 22nd August, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. for the purpose of enrolling children.

When the scheme is in operation children will attend between the following times: 9—10 a.m., 10.15—11.15 a.m., 11.30 a.m.—12.30 p.m., 2—3 p.m. and 3.15—4.15 p.m.

STOLE A CYCLE

SOLDIER WHO WAS HARD UP

A plea that he was hard up at the time was made at Margate police court on Monday by Pte. Herbert William Spelman, aged 19, a Garlinge youth, who was charged with stealing a bicycle, value 30s., the property of Reginald Jack Cousins, of Addiscombe-gardens, on 3rd August.

C/I Fleet said the cycle was left in the yard behind the Regal Cinema and was missed by the owner at 9.50 p.m. D/C Lilliott went to the yard the following evening and saw the cycle which had been reported stolen. At 9.45 a soldier began to wheel the machine away. Later that evening they saw defendant and told him they were making enquiries about a cycle which had been sold to Pte. Lee. Defendant said "I took it and sold it to Lee for 10s. bceause I was hard up."

An officer said defendant had a completely clean Army record. He had lost some of his equipment and had had to pay for it by deductions from his pay each week.

Chief Inspr. Fleet said defendant admitted stealing another bicycle on 20th July. In December, 1935, he was summoned at Margate juvenile court for stealing a pair of binoculars from a car, the case being dismissed.

Spelman was fined £1.

BETTER PAY

FOR WOMEN COUNCIL STAFF

Margate Council were to-day asked to approve an improved standard of pay for the women clerical staff.

Council in committee recommended that in lieu of the present salary grade 2 for female clerical assistants (£91 per annum, rising by annual increments of £9 10s. to £110 per annum) the following grade be substituted—£91, rising by annual increments of £13 to £117.

It was also recommended that the following special rates of salary be instituted: Special Class A—£130; Class B—£143; Class C—£156, such special rates to be granted only upon the recommendations of the respective heads of departments and the subsequent approval of the Council.

It was further recommended that Mrs. E. Keefe, shorthand-typist in the Town Clerk's Department, should be paid in accordance with Special Class A, and that the salary of the four temporary female assistants at the Library, each in receipt of £1 2s. 6d. a week, be increased in accordance with the female salary grade 1, commencing at 25s. per week.

The salary of Mr. C. J. Amos, chief clerk in the Borough Engineer's Department, is to be increased from £280 to £300 per annum.

A GOOD CONCERT BUT—

Magistrates' Reminder to the Mayor

"These irregularities must not happen," said the chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) at Ramsgate police court on Monday, when it was stated that advertisements had been issued for a concert in aid of the Mayor's Troops' Comforts Fund, in respect of which no application had been made to the magistrates.

The Entertainments Manager (Mr. R. J. Costerton) was making application for a Sunday concert to be held at the West Cliff Theatre on 24th August. The Mayor understood application had already been made, said Mr. Costerton.

The chairman said it was not proper for the concert to have been advertised without application having been made.

Mr. Costerton said he had had nothing to do with the matter as he had only that day returned from his holiday.

The chairman: Permission must be obtained before any concert is advertised. Will you kindly convey that to the Mayor. We realise the concert will be a good one for a good purpose, so we give our consent with great pleasure, but these irregularities must not happen.

THEY KEEP SMILING

Children of St. Lawrence School, Ramsgate, photographed in pastoral surroundings at Denstone, Staffordshire. The headmistress, Miss Huggard, reposes that while they are looking forward to returning home they are still happy and healthy in the reception area.

COVERED WITHDRAWAL

BUFFS SERGEANT AWARDED D.C.M.

Sergt. George Heath, of The Buffs, who has been awarded the D.C.M., was one of a party of three officers and 35 other ranks who, on the night of 4/5th March were given the difficult task of scaling a very steep gully running south from the heights of Beit Gabru. Their instructions were to harass the enemy position on the top wherever possible.

At 10.30 p.m. they bumped into an enemy post, which happened to be wired, and having got through the wire succeeded in killing all the occupants of the enemy position. They straightaway moved on and took up a position on top of the high ground, awaiting daylight, hoping to see then what their best move would be.

As daylight broke they were engaged by Breda, mortar and rifle fire at close range. It was evident that a considerable force of the enemy was endeavouring to surround them. At this period two men were badly wounded and the officer, realising that they were not strong enough to hold their position, gave orders for a withdrawal.

With Sergt. Heath he and another officer remained behind to cover the withdrawal with their tommy-guns. The distance to the edge of the ridge where troops could take cover from fire was approximately 60 to 70 yards. When the others had reached this vantage point, the covering party started to withdraw themselves. After retreating some 30 yards they came across one of the two wounded men, whose legs appeared to be paralysed.

Sergt. Heath gave covering fire while the two officers endeavoured to drag the wounded man to cover. They had only gone a few yards when the officer commanding the party was hit in the foot. At the same time the wounded man received another bullet which killed him. Both men then proceeded to help the wounded officer, but before the safety margin could be reached the officer commanding the party received another wound and the other officer was hit in the foot. Sergt. Heath received a graze on the left arm but again gave covering fire while helping the second officer back to cover.

Since that date he has refused to be sent down on the sick list and in two subsequent attacks made by his unit his coolness, determination and initiative helped substantially in the success of our troops.

MISSING FRUIT KNIFE

TWO SOLDIERS CHARGED

Ptes. Alfred Henry Moore and Ernest Randall, both aged 21, were charged at the Cinque Ports police court, Margate, on Monday, with being concerned together in stealing a fruit knife, value 1s. 6d., the property of Lady Dorothy Fox, of Corlismore, Western-esplanade, Broadstairs, between 2nd and 9th August.

D/C Self said he charged the men at Broadstairs police station on Saturday afternoon. Moore said "We did not break in, it was open," and Randall said "I say the same."

In order that further enquiries could be made the case was adjourned until 25th August, the men being released on bail.

PURELY HUMANITARIAN

PEACE WORKERS' GIFT

Accompanying a gift of £1 10s. received by the Ramsgate General Hospital extensions fund last month was a letter from Mr. Luke Cullen, on behalf of the "Peace Workers of Ramsgate," stating that it was part of a collection made during War Weapons Week "among those people whose object is peace and who wished to make some gift to a purely humanitarian cause."

The pupils of the Convent of the Assumption, now domiciled in Herefordshire, sent their annual subscription of £1 1s. and a third collection of bunhead pennies by Miss E. Martin, of Minster, realised 3s. 3d.

The sum of £71 18s. 7d. received from Mrs. Deborah Hart was an annual instalment under a covenant to give £1,000 to the fund over a period of seven years for the provision of a bed in memory of the late Alderman Lazarus Hart.

At the end of July the appeal fund had reached a total of £10,197 9s. 6d.

BOMBED THE NAZIS

TRIBUTES TO RAMSGATE AIRMAN

As reported in our last issue, Sergt./Obs. Wilfred Stanley Brooks, R.A.F., an old boy of Chatham House School, aged 24 years, whose parents live at 68 High-street, Ramsgate, has been killed in air operations. He had taken part in several bombing raids over Germany.

The funeral took place at Ramsgate Cemetery on Wednesday, the young airman's body having been brought to his home town for interment.

The service was conducted by the Rev. F. J. Bomford and the coffin, draped with the Union Jack and covered with wreaths, one of which was in the shape of an aeroplane, was carried to the grave by a bearer party from the R.A.F.

The mourners were Mr. and Mrs. O. Brooks (father and mother), Spr. Alfred Brooks (brother), Miss Trixie Brooks (sister), Miss Norah Higgins (fiancee), Mr. and Mrs T. Redman, Mr. E. Brooks, Mrs. Powell, Mr. and Mrs. M. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. C. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hodges (uncles and aunts), Mr. J. Redman, Miss R. Redman, Miss B. Redman, Mr. N. Hodges, Mr. R. Hodges (cousins), Mr. R. Higgins, Mr. G. Chambers, Mrs. Blackman, Mr. J. Riley, Mr. G. Willshire, Mr. D. Sinclair, and Mr. C. Walkley.

Floral tributes included wreaths from: Mum, Dad, Trixie and Alf; Norah; Aunt Beat, Uncle Will, Basil and Rose; Aunt Win, Uncle Glem and Randolph; Uncle Enos, Auntie Lis and family; Aunt Flo, Uncle Tom, Betty, Rena and Jack; Aunt Nell, Uncle Will, Ron and Kit; Uncle Moss and Aunt Louise; Aunt May and Uncle Harry Jeffries; Mercy and Neville; Mr. and Mrs. Scott; Mr. Morrison and past and present staff of Morrison and Siminson; N.M.C.; Mr. and Mrs. Wighting, Decima and Weseley; Corpl. W. G. Sackett, R.A.F.; Mr. and Mrs. Walkley; David Sinclair; His pals, Bob and Graham; Mrs. McPhail; Gordon and Mrs. Clayton; Commanding Officer, Officers and Airmen of his squadron; Betty Gore; Mr. and Mrs. L. Williams and Cleo; Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson and Douglas; Ramsgate Methodist Sunday School; Mr. and Mrs. Saunders, Bob and Jack; Mr. and Mrs. Atkins; Mr. and Mrs. Chambers and Winsome; Mrs. Prout and family; Mrs. Port and family; Mr. and Mrs. Blackman; Mr. E. G. Butcher and firm; Mr. Higgins; Mr. and Mrs. Watkins and old friends; Mr. and Mrs. Simpson; Jack Ridley and Geoff Willshire; Mr. and Mrs. Yorath.

THEY LOOK FORWARD TO IT

Extracts from letters received by the Publisher from readers renewing their subscription to the ADVERTISER & ECHO:

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"We always look forward to Saturday morning to read all the home news and are always delighted to see from time to time that our Mayor is still going strong. We hope we shall soon all be back in Ramsgate to see him doing boomps-a-daisy on the cliff."—From Slough, Bucks.

IN BOMBED HOUSE

TWO SOLDIERS ATE CHOCOLATE

RED SHIELD CLUB ROBBED

The astuteness of a member of the Police War Reserve led to the appearance of two soldiers at Ramsgate police court on Monday.

Shortly before 11 p.m. on 31st July, W/R Stanley Willmoth was passing a house which had been damaged by enemy action when he heard sounds coming from inside. He knew the house was unoccupied so he entered and found two soldiers in one of the bedrooms. They had with them a considerable amount of chocolate and as he was not satisfied with their answers he took them to the police station.

The soldiers were Pte. Joseph Patrick Schroder and Pte. Patrick Thomas Walsh, both aged 20.

They pleaded guilty to being concerned together in stealing from the Red Shield Club, High-street, Ramsgate, a quantity of chocolate and gums, value £2 5s. 7d., the property of the William Booth Training College.

W/R Willmoth said he was on duty when he heard sounds coming from a house which had been bombed. He found the defendants in the upstairs centre bedroom and asked them what they were doing. The men had a considerable amount of chocolate in cartons, which had been opened. He asked them where they got the chocolate and Walsh said they had just bought it. Schroder said they bought the chocolate from a man in the Royal Artillery and were going to a public-house the following Saturday to pay for it. He told the men he was not satisfied with their explanation and took them to the police station.

An Easy Job.

At the police station the men were interviewed by P/S Wait, and Schroder made a statement.

In the statement Schroder said he met Walsh at about 6.10 p.m. on 31st July. They went as far as the Market together and after they had been there a few minutes he left Walsh and went to a cinema. He remained in the cinema for about an hour and left because he did not like the film. When he came out he made his way towards the Red Shield Canteen and again met Walsh. Walsh mentioned to him about a parcel in the doorway of the canteen. Walsh suggested it was an "easy job" and this tempted him because he was feeling hungry. He had only twopence and Walsh only a penny, so they decided to go to the canteen.

"On arrival there," the statement continued, "I bought a cup of tea and a rock cake. Pte. Walsh had a cake and this left us broke. We arranged that he should move a parcel which was to the right of the doorway, and on a shelf, down on to the floor. This was done by him. I picked up the parcel and carried it into the street. We both crossed over into Church-hill and along Church-road, and went into a bombed house.

"Once inside we broke the strings off and then sorted the boxes of chocolate out. Some we put into our blouses and some into the respirator haversack."

Schroder further stated that they subsequently emptied the chocolate and wine gums into an attache case, which belonged to Pte. Walsh, and gave the case to another soldier, whom he did not know. They returned to the bombed house, where they had left the remainder of the parcel, and on the way he ate some wine gums and a small piece of chocolate. While they were in the house and packing the other chocolate into their haversacks W/R Willmoth arrived.

A Mean Trick.

"I wish to apologise for the trouble I have caused," concluded the statement. "I now think it was a mean trick to take this stuff from the Red Shield. I was really tempted because I hadn't any money and I was feeling hungry."

P/S Wait said he served a copy of Schroder's statement on Walsh and he replied "Yes, we were both in it." He subsequently recovered the attache case containing chocolate from another house.

The Chief Constable (Mr. S. F. Butler) said neither of the men had been in trouble before. Schroder asked that four other cases should be taken into consideration. They were for stealing a gold wrist watch, value £3, the property of one of his comrades; stealing a silver pocket watch, value £1, the property of another comrade; and two cases of stealing cigarettes from the N.A.A.F.I.

It was stated that the watches had been recovered.

It Made Him Wild.

Schroder said he became engaged about eight weeks previously but the engagement was broken off. "It made me wild so I spent all my money and got broke," he said.

Both men were given good characters by an officer.

The chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) said that but for the good characters given them they would have been more severely dealt with. They had brought a slur upon one of the finest regiments in the British Army. Schroder would be fined £2 and Walsh £1.

Calling forward W/R Willmoth, the chairman said "The bench wish to congratulate you on the way in which you brought this case to light, and your conduct in connection with the case."

"The general war situation finds us with a strength, resilience, and confidence that will bring victory but it brings also reminders that there is no room on anybody's part to do less than his utmost."—The First Lord of the Admiralty.

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Please state whether Mr., Mrs. or Miss

Chatham House County School for Boys, Ramsgate

The HEADMASTER will be in RAMSGATE TO-DAY, August 12th and will be at the SCHOOL from 3 p.m. till 7.30 p.m. to interview parents who wish to see him.

RELIEF FOR PROPERTY OWNERS

BROADSTAIRS HARDSHIP

Broadstairs Council hope to relieve the lot of a certain class of property owners who have been adversely affected by the war.

On the motion of the chairman (Councillor B. J. Pearson) the Council on Wednesday unanimously passed a resolution expressing the opinion that as difficulty arose for owners of buildings in meeting contributions under the War Damage Act by reason of the fact that their property was unproductive owing to the war, the application of the Defence (Evacuated Areas) Regulations, and to their unfortunate position in a Defence Area which had been, for the most part, evacuated at the request of the Government, payments in respect of the property should be suspended and made a charge upon the property until such time as it was productive, or the unfortunate position was relieved.

A copy of the resolution is to be sent to Councils of all boroughs in East Kent which are seaside resorts, with a request that they will support it and forward a copy to the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Moving the resolution Councillor Pearson said he did not want there to be any suggestion that they wished to be relieved of their obligations in these difficult days. All they were asking was that some measure of relief should be afforded during the time the property was unproductive.

For many years past there had been in Broadstairs many people who acquired their means of livelihood by the ownership of small parcels of property. In normal days it was sufficient to bring those people in a moderate income so that they could live in a fairly comfortable way. By reason of the war this had been changed.

From £700 to £40.

He knew of one person who had been in receipt of some £700 a year from property in Broadstairs and St. Peter's who had evacuated owing to age and was now in receipt of only £40 a year. That person had now received from the Inland Revenue a demand for immediate payment of over £135 in respect of the property. This particular man had been a ratepayer in Broadstairs for over 30 years. He emphasised that he did not wish to escape his obligations. He asked the Government to say that in view of his position as regarded his vacant property, and the operation of the moratorium whereby tenants were able to leave the town and leave their furniture in the houses without paying rent, some consideration should be shown to him.

Councillor Pearson, after reading a letter which he sent to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, said he got in touch with Capt. Balfour on the point. Capt. Balfour got in touch with the Treasury and was informed that in cases where hardship could be proved some relief would be given. So far so good, but he thought it undesirable that the Inland Revenue authorities should have the power to decide what were and what were not cases of hardship.

Supporting the motion Councillor H. Bing said he knew of a case where a landlord who was formerly receiving £1,000 a year was now receiving only £240. When this man told the Inland Revenue authorities that Capt. Balfour said sympathetic consideration would be given to such cases he was told they knew nothing about it.

SCALE OF CHARGES

Advertiser and Echo

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18	—	1/6	2/3	3/-	5/-	9/-	15/-	27/-
21	—	1/9	2/9	3/6	6/-	11/-	18/-	33/-
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BRITISH LEGION VILLAGE

Two pages in the August issue of the "British Legion Journal" are devoted to photographs taken at the British Legion Village near Maidstone, where a large general hospital associated with Guy's Hospital, London, is under the direction of Dr. McDougall, the Legion medical superintendent.

Here, in buildings erected by the villagers themselves, states the Journal, blitz victims and the sick from a wide area as well as Service patients are treated with skill and care. Miss Lee, the matron, has collected a large staff of nurses, who, like the medical staff, come from London and other places.

After Dunkirk the village hospital was extremely busy, and, in the words of Dr. McDougall, it is now "ready for anything."

Meantime, the villagers carry on their industries of soap-making, printing, portable buildings and poultry keeping, and are all in the civil defence services.

CHAMPION ST. GEORGE'S BOYS

Now consisting of five forms with a staff of five under Mr. J. S. Houlton, headmaster, St. George's Boys' School, Ramsgate, will reassemble for the new year at Stafford in September.

At the athletic sports held at the close of the summer term, Hertslet House won the Olby championship cup, Crawfurd House won the swimming championship and White-Thomson House was successful at cricket after a tie with Hertslet for points in the house matches.

The sports senior individual championship was won by Mongor (Hertslet) with H. Sanders (Hertslet) runner-up, and the junior champion was D. Smith (White-Thomson) with E. Sanders and R. Harlow (Crawfurd) runner-up.

Mongor also won the cups for the senior 100 and 220 yards and D. Smith the cups for the junior 100 yards and high jump. Turner (White-Thomson) won the cup for the senior 880 yards, Cooper (White-Thomson) the cup for the senior high jump, and E. Sanders the cup for the junior 220 yards.

At swimming the individual champions were: Senior, Barlow (Hertslet) runners-up, Payne and Turner (White-Thomson); junior, R. Penney (Crawfurd) runner-up Flynn (Bartram); diving, O'Connor (Hertslet).

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MR. J. A. FORDE

COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S TRIBUTE

The death since the previous meeting of Councillor Joseph Augustine Forde, J.P., was referred to by the chairman (Councillor B. J. Pearson) at the monthly meeting of Broadstairs Council on Wednesday.

The members stood for a few moments in silent tribute.

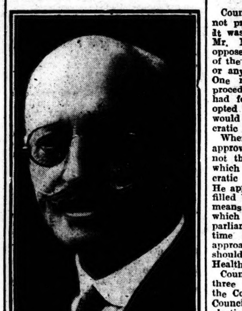
Although he rejoined the Council only in April of this year, Councillor Forde, who was 65 years of age, had had more local government experience than most of his colleagues.

He was first elected to the Council in March, 1920, and served continuously until April, 1938, when he resigned owing to ill-health.

Quickly gaining the confidence of his fellow members, Councillor Forde was elected chairman of the Council in April, 1928.

For several years he was chairman of the Entertainments Committee and he preceded Councillor F. Foster as chairman of the Waterworks Committee, but he will be chiefly remembered for his devoted service to the town for many years as chairman of the Finance Committee.

In commercial life Councillor Forde had for the past 34 years been engineer and manager of the Isle of Thanet Electric Supply Co. Ltd. He was a member of the Institute of Electrical Engineers and of the Institute of Transport.



Councillor Forde was chiefly responsible for the vast strides made by the company during his management which included the operation of the old Thanet Tramway system extending from Westbrook to Ramsgate, and the operation of a fleet of motor buses, subsequently taken over by the East Kent Road Car Co.

In addition to being a Justice of the Peace for the Cinque Ports Division of the county, Councillor Forde was a Commissioner of Income Tax and Land Tax.

Mr. Forde was a keen bowls player and in 1927, in partnership with Mr. A. O. Crick, won the ADVERTISER & ECHO hospital challenge cup.

Councillor Forde leaves a widow, three sons, Messrs. Temple, Kyrle and Terence Forde, and three daughters, Mrs. K. R. Gray, Mrs. W. J. D. Ovens, and Mrs. A. Cuthbert, junr.

A Great Blow.

At Wednesday's meeting of the Council Councillor Pearson said it was his duty to refer to the great blow the Council and the town had received by the passing of Councillor Forde. Councillor Forde became a member of the Council as far back as March, 1920, and for 18 years he served the town faithfully and well. During the later part of that time he suffered very considerably from ill-health. For some time that ill-health continued but he recovered and it was after the outbreak of war that he felt strong enough to give his attention to the work of the town.

In April, 1941, when a vacancy occurred on the Council, he permitted his name to go forward and the Council, by reason of a war-time measure, elected him to fill the vacancy. He came back on to the Council in very much better health and vigour. The members would agree with him when he said that during the short time he had been back Councillor Forde had rendered wonderful service in the interests of the town.

Continuing, Councillor Pearson said Councillor Forde was one of the magistrates for the Cinque Ports division who had elected to remain in the area whatever occurred. In his very important position as general manager of the Isle of Thanet Electric Supply Co., he had been carrying out valuable work.

During his years on the Council they came to know Councillor Forde as one who gave his views and stood by them. He was chairman for some time of the Entertainments Committee and also of the Finance Committee. They also remembered his term of office as chairman of the Council. In these difficult times there were few who were prepared to come forward and serve in the public life and it would be extremely difficult appropriately to fill his place.

In conclusion Councillor Pearson expressed the Council's sympathy to Mrs. Forde in her bereavement.

THE FUNERAL

The funeral at St. Peter's on Thursday was preceded by Requiem Mass at the Roman Catholic Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, conducted by the Rev. Father Wilfred Emery.

The mourners were the widow, Mr. T. V. Forde (son), Mr. and Mrs. K. A. Forde (son and daughter-in-law), Mrs. K. R. Gray (daughter), Mr. and Mrs. W. J. D. Ovens (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. and Mrs. A. Cuthbert (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Perry, Capt. A. L. Perry, M.C., and directors of the Isle of Thanet Electric Supply Co., including the chairman, Mr. A. R. Hoare, and the secretary, Mr. C. Collins.

A large congregation at the church included the chairman (Councillor B. J. Pearson) and members and officials of Broadstairs Council, the Mayor of Margate (Alderman G. P. Hoare), members and officials of Ramsgate and Margate Councils, Ramsgate, Margate and Cinque Ports magistrates, borough and county police forces, special constabulary, the civil defence services, Thanet bowling clubs, and representatives of every aspect of life in Thanet.

Six members of the Kent County Constabulary acted as bearers, and Father Emery was assisted by four priests from St. Augustine's Abbey, Ramsgate.

Floral Tributes.

Among the floral tributes were wreaths from the widow; Temple and Beryl; Kyrle and Winnie; Mercy and Ken; Joan and Will; Brenda and Alec; Terence; Maureen and Christine; Sheila and Shirley; Members of the Altar Society; Chairman and

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NEW COUNCILLOR

ELECTED AT BROADSTAIRS

Mr. Frederick James Malpress, of Bradstow-way, Broadstairs, who carries on business in Albion-street as an electrical engineer, has been co-opted a member of Broadstairs Council to fill the vacancy in the Central Ward caused by the resignation of Mr. G. Stewart.

Councillor Malpress is an appropriate choice for he and Mr. Stewart were opponents for the Central Ward seat in 1939, when Mr. Stewart polled 412 votes and Mr. Malpress 333.

Other nominations for the vacancy were Mrs. N. E. Attwell, Mr. J. T. B. Dawson, Mr. W. C. Sizer and Mr. A. H. Stewart.

Moving the nomination of Mr. Malpress, Councillor H. Bing said he had the qualifications for a councillor and was the only candidate nominated who had fought an election. He was a prominent business man and took a keen interest in local affairs.

Seconding the nomination Councillor E. K. Minter said Mr. Malpress had always been prepared to do anything he could for Broadstairs and took a keen interest in the activities of the local branch of the Brotherhood of Cheerful Sparrows.

Why He Did Not Vote.

Councillor B. Humphrey said he did not propose to vote on the resolution. It was not because he was opposed to Mr. Malpress but because he was opposed very strongly to the principle of the election of people to the Council, or any other Council, in this manner. One realised that it was emergency procedure but the fact that they already had four members who had been co-opted by the Council showed that it would eventually undermine the democratic principle.

When the central government approved the emergency measure he did not think they realised the extent to which it would undermine the democratic spirit of such local authorities. He appreciated that vacancies should be filled but he thought there were better means of doing it than those under which they were acting. They had parliamentary elections at the present time and he thought the time was approaching when representations should be made to the Ministry of Health on the matter.

Councillor Minter said there were three not four co-opted members of the Council, and each of them, unlike Councillor Humphrey, had contested an election.

The chairman (Councillor B. J. Pearson) said there were many things they were called upon to do in a state of emergency which they would oppose in peace time. The procedure they were following was laid down by statute and they were bound to carry it out. If every member adopted the attitude of Councillor Humphrey and declined to carry out the Government's instructions it would be very unsatisfactory from the town's point of view.

With the exception of Councillor Humphrey, who abstained from voting, Mr. Malpress was unanimously elected.

Councillor Malpress was elected to fill vacancies on committees caused by the resignation of Mr. Stewart and was also appointed to the Kent Council of Social Service.

The Council have placed on record their appreciation of the services rendered by Mr. G. Stewart during the time he was a member of the Council and resident in the district and expressed the hope that he will soon be restored to good health.

GROUP-CAPT. J. H. WINCH

MARGATE AIR PIONEER'S COMMAND

Group-Capt. J. H. Winch, an old boy of New Cross-street School, Margate, who has been appointed to the command of an R.A.F. station, is a pioneer of aviation but has also served in the Army and Navy.

Son of Mr. G. C. Winch, who formerly lived at Poet's Corner but is now residing with his daughter, Mrs. Nye, of Walpole-road, Group-Capt. Winch joined the Royal Engineers at Chatham in 1909 but transferred in 1912 to the R.F.C. at Farnborough, where he made his first flight in August that year in an old Henri Farman machine.

In the last war he went to France with the first wireless section of the R.F.C., being in the retreat from Mons. In 1916 he returned to England to join a squadron at Dover, and later became adjutant at Halton Camp.

From 1922 he operated extensively in Iraq with an armoured car wing and while there was one of the first passengers to cross the Northern Arabian desert from Baghdad to Cairo and back in the early Victoria troop-carrying aircraft.

After a period at the flying training school at Abou Souir, near the Suez Canal, he returned to a home unit for three years. In April, 1933, he was posted to the Fleet Air Arm, and joining H.M.S. Eagle, spent two years with the aircraft carrier on the China Station.

PLEA FOR HARD-HIT TOWNS

A plea for the whole of the money advanced by the Government to assist the finances of towns in evacuation areas to be regarded as a free grant is under consideration by the Ministry of Health.

At present 25 per cent. of the money advanced is a loan repayable after the war.

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members of Broadstairs Urban District Council; Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Fagg; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Perry; Kay, Eus and Kath; Messrs. Redbourn and Sons; Mr. Gruchy and Rita; Mr. and Mrs. Keeler; Mr. and Mrs. H. Gilham; Alice; Joan, Will and Margaret; Lionel Skinner and family; Staff and employees of the Isle of Thanet Electric Supply Co.; Pearl and Blarney; Mr. and Mrs. W. Ovens; Mrs. Weir; Mr. R. F. Gray; Thanet Cinque Ports Justices and their Clerk; Alderman and Mrs. F. L. Pettman (Margate); Councillor G. W. Lane; Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Watts; Mrs. Glen and family; Dick and Alf; Broadstairs Police; Members and Clerk of Margate and Broadstairs Joint Electricity Committee; Mr. D. T. Evans; Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Chell; Mr. A. B. Impett; Dr. and Mrs. H. T. Macauley; Mr. and Mrs. Cuthbert; Messrs. Joseph Ovenden and Sons; Friends and members of Broadstairs and St. Peter's Bowling Club; Members of the East Kent Road Car Social Club; the late Isle of Thanet Tramway employees; Directors and management of the East Kent Road Car Co. Ltd.; Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Gifford; Staff and employees of Broadstairs Gas Co.; Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Holladay; Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Duncan and family; Mr. and Mrs. Bates; Mr. and Mrs. J. Hunt; the Staffs of the Ramsgate, South-East Kent and Folkestone Electricity Supply Cos.; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Venner, Joan and Dennis; Margate and Ramsgate Circles Catenian Association; Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson and L. F. Nicholson; Mr. and Mrs. Buck; Chief Constable, officers and men of Margate Police Force.

The funeral arrangements were carried out by Messrs. W. P. Blackburn and Son, Ltd., York-street, Broadstairs.

PARS PERSONAL

By CAROLUS

AS OTHERS SEE US

Holidays

WHATEVER we may think about taking holidays just now—and our point of view must necessarily be influenced by individual circumstances—to those of us who live in Thanet the pictures in the daily papers of the jammed crowds at London railway termini on Bank Holiday are simply unbelievable. Just as we are largely unaware to what extent normal life is proceeding in other parts of the country, I sometimes wonder if people living inland have the remotest conception of what nearly two years of war have meant to those living in defence areas facing the coast of France. It is a good thing, sometimes, to see ourselves as others see us. At the moment, unfortunately, others, with a few exceptions, are not allowed to see us in Thanet.

Day After Day

I was particularly interested, therefore, to read in the "Illustrated Leicester Chronicle" the impression made by a visit to "Hell's Corner" upon John Fortune, a former Ramsgate journalist. Just before his visit Mr. Fortune was discussing the war with a man who admitted it had not made any difference to him; a man who had a large quantity of fruit in his car and who said he knew where to get plenty of eggs and butter too. As this discussion recurred to his mind John Fortune wrote:

"What does he know about this war who has not known its suffering? He has no idea how the people down there have fought it out—not a single night of blitzkrieg either—but day after day while all the time the values of their homes and possessions dwindled and their livelihood disappeared. He should know this and those like him, those slothful sluggards (why mince words?) who are busiest in cadging this article and that, paying anything in dirty black markets for something they want. These are the enemies of Britain. But perhaps they are enemies only through ignorance."

There's no doubt a visit to Hell's Corner still has a bracing effect! No mincing of words there!

Tangible Silence

JOHN Fortune was impressed more by an "atmosphere" than by what he actually saw. Describing this he writes:

"I was walking through a small seaside town. It was a street that in peace-time would be crammed with a laughing, jostling sun-burned crowd. Now it was deserted. And silent, too. So very silent. A tangible silence, tangible in the sense of a London fog that shows on your handkerchief when you blow your nose. It was a silence that spoke to you. A cat sneaked stealthily across the road, stopped on the crown of the road, looked behind and bolted.

"We felt like that cat. We were scared half-way down that street. Afterwards my companion said to me 'I felt that if I had looked behind I should have seen faces peering at me from the empty windows.'

"As I looked round these towns on the lovely south-east coast one thought kept returning to me. It was the contrast in outlook between the people in this part and those folk in the Midlands to whom the war has not come as a personal thing.

"I know hundreds of people here in the Midlands to whom the war is little more than a thing they read about in the papers and which makes meals a little difficult to prepare. In other parts of the country it is perhaps more remote than that. People even scamper about in the sea as of yore I am told.

"Where I have been the war holds your arm. It is like being married to an unlovely creature you cannot divorce. Hell's Corner is no glib journalist's phrase. It is a description erring on the side of understatement."

Sticking It Out

WHILE recognising that terror in the skies and bombed homes are not confined to "Hell's Corner," Mr. Fortune, continuing to record the deep impression made upon him by his visit, defines the difference thus:

"There is a more despondent sight here peculiar to the place. It is of a shopping area where shops are closed, where the ghosts of happy laughter ring a miserable jingle in the air. Not that the people down there were sorry for themselves or were crying over spilled milk. Not a bit of it.

"I spoke with one shopkeeper I had known for many years. I found him in bed with the gout.

"'I saw the bombs falling in the air,' he told me. 'You can see the gaps from this window. Oh yes, things are bad. But they're bad for all of us, and we're not at all downhearted. We shall stick it out.'

"But all the time I was comparing what I was seeing with pictures of more prosperous areas, where people have more money to spend. And I held in my mind the lazy response that many make in these 'safety' areas. Here on the danger front the people have been tested to the utmost. They have been through it. It has aged them. But they are carrying on.

"I have a mother there who won't leave her little bit of England. If I say anything to her she says she's not important, and that its all right if the children have gone. But her hair is white now. Quite white.

"It is fitting that these people who know the full hardship should have had what is, to them an exclusive thrill of seeing our R.A.F. making their daylight excursions across the Channel.

"The things I saw down Hell's Corner way hit me pretty hard. I felt that those living where the going is softer ought to know what life is like there. Food cadging and grumbling about our paltry inconveniences looks what it is, pretty rottenly mean, after you have looked those people in the eye and seen their suffering and their spirit."

Thanks, on behalf of all of us, pal.

NICE PAY IF YOU CAN GET IT

Broadstairs Council have accepted the principle that an employee who works on a Bank Holiday is entitled to double pay and another day's holiday with pay, or, if more convenient to the Council, treble pay for the hours he works.

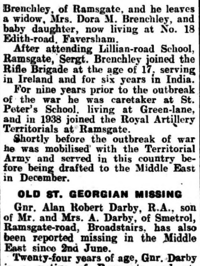
At the same time they have instructed the Surveyor not to arrange for employees to work on a Bank Holiday unless absolutely necessary.

Sergeant F. W. Brenchley

SCHOOL CARETAKER KILLED IN MIDDLE EAST

Member of a well-known Ramsgate family and formerly caretaker at St. Peter's School, Sergt. Frank William Brenchley, R.A., of Green-lane, St. Peter's, was killed while on active service in the Middle East on 2nd June.

Thirty-eight years of age, Sergt. Brenchley was the only son of the late Mr. Richard Brenchley and Mrs.



Brenchley, of Ramsgate, and he leaves a widow, Mrs. Dora M. Brenchley, and baby daughter, now living at No. 18 Edith-road, Faversham.

After attending Lillian-road School, Ramsgate, Sergt. Brenchley joined the Rifle Brigade at the age of 17, serving in Ireland and for six years in India.

For nine years prior to the outbreak of the war he was caretaker at St. Peter's School, living at Green-lane, and in 1938 joined the Royal Artillery Territorials at Ramsgate.

Shortly before the outbreak of war he was mobilised with the Territorial Army and served in this country before being drafted to the Middle East in December.

OLD ST. GEORGIAN MISSING

Gnr. Alan Robert Darby, R.A., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Darby, of Smetrol, Ramsgate-road, Broadstairs, has also been reported missing in the Middle East since 2nd June.

Twenty-four years of age, Gnr. Darby is a native of Ramsgate and attended St. George's School. He was for some years a member of St. Luke's Young Men's Bible Class.

On leaving school, Gnr. Darby was for seven years employed by a firm of Broadstairs printers and joined the Territorial Army four months before the outbreak of war.

NEWS SOUGHT BY PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. S. Grey, of 21 Clifford-avenue, Kingsteignton, Newton Abbot, Devon, formerly of Broadstairs, are anxious for news regarding their son, L/Bdr. Laurie Grey, R.A., who is reported missing. An old boy of St. Lawrence Schools, L/Bdr. Grey joined the Territorials in 1938 and, mobilised at the outbreak of war, was later drafted to the Middle East.

CHATHAM HOUSE BOY A PRISONER

Son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Homewood, of 99 Westbrook-avenue, Margate, Gnr. Dennis Cannon Homewood, R.A., is a prisoner of war in Germany.

Gnr. Homewood was reported missing following the Battle of Crete but his parents have since had news from him stating that he is in good health and is a prisoner in Germany.

A pupil at Chatham House School, Ramsgate, from 1926 to 1933, Gnr. Homewood was afterwards employed by a local radio firm and subsequently transferred to a radio firm at Streatham, where he joined the Territorial Army.

MINSTER SERGEANT CAPTURED

An old boy of Lillian-road School, Ramsgate, Sergt. F. W. Tobin, of Prospect-road, Minster, is a prisoner of war.

Some weeks ago Sergt. Tobin, who was serving in the Middle East, was posted as missing since 7th March. His wife has now received a letter from him saying that he is a prisoner of war and is safe and well.

Thirty-four years of age, Sergt. Tobin came to Ramsgate with his parents as a child and lived in Hollicondane-road. His mother died while he was a child and his father passed away last September.

NEWS OF THOSE ON SERVICE

Readers are invited to send to The Editor, "Advertiser & Echo," with a view to publication, details concerning Thanet men serving with H.M. Forces who become war casualties, and concerning whom official information has been received from the appropriate Service Department.

News of decorations awarded, promotions and other items of similar interest will be particularly welcomed.

The Editor also welcomes the submission of photographs, which will be published free of charge to relatives.

The "Advertiser & Echo" is pleased to undertake this service on behalf of the many Thanet people evacuated to other parts of the country, whom their local newspaper keeps in touch with their friends and events at home.

OFFICIALS' HOLIDAYS

In June Broadstairs Council decided, having regard to the general situation, that the annual holiday of officials should be curtailed this year to a period of one week.

Council in committee have since amended the resolution to ensure that the holiday shall be "taken in periods consisting of not more than six consecutive working days."

POLICE INSPECTOR'S ACCIDENT

Inspr. Percy Brown, of Margate Borough Police Force, sustained a compound fracture of the right leg in a motor cycle accident at Birchington on Wednesday.

The motor cycle driven by the inspector came into collision with an Army vehicle.

FREE SPEECH

BROADSTAIRS COUNCIL REFUSE TO MUZZLE MEMBERS

An attempt by the Thanet and District Assessment Committee to stifle freedom of speech and muzzle the press has been exposed by Broadstairs Council, which has vigorously declined to be a party to any such reactionary practice.

The Assessment Committee, it appears, took objection to remarks contained in a speech made by Councillor E. K. Minter at the May meeting of the Council, when he suggested that it was better for ratepayers to go to their own Council to secure rate relief rather than to apply to the Assessment Committee for a reduction of assessment.

It now transpires that a published report of his speech was debated behind closed doors by the Assessment Committee.

The Clerk to the Assessment Committee wrote to the Council on 4th July stating that the committee's attention had been drawn to a report in the local press of various statements made by Councillor Minter at a recent meeting of the Council regarding the work of the Assessment Committee and, in particular, the representatives from Herne Bay and Whitstable; that he was directed to express regret that the Council should have allowed such incorrect and indiscreet statements to be publicly reported and that the members of the Assessment Committee strongly deprecate the incident which they hope will not be allowed to recur.

A Flat Refusal.

Council in committee directed the Clerk to state in reply:

(a) that it is not within the power of the Council to prevent publication of statements made at a meeting at which representatives of the press are present;

(b) that Councillor Minter was speaking on a report of a committee then before the Council for adoption, and was entitled to do so;

(c) that it is not possible for the Council to give an assurance that an incident of the kind referred to shall not be allowed to recur, as to prevent the making by a member of statements which might give rise to offence would necessitate prior knowledge of such statements;

(d) that the chairman, and the other members present, had no prior knowledge of the purport of Councillor Minter's statements;

(e) that the Council desire to draw the attention of the Assessment Committee to the remarks of the chairman of the Council, made after the statements of Councillor Minter to which exception had been taken, and which remarks were intended to remove any misunderstanding which might have arisen consequent upon Councillor Minter's statements; and

(f) that the Council hope that the harmonious relations which have existed between them and the Assessment Committee will not be disturbed by the incident, which is the subject of the letter now submitted.

NO WORK FOR HIM

AFTER 22 YEARS' SERVICE

Some time ago Mr. A. E. Gifford, formerly one of Broadstairs Council's manual employees in the Surveyor's Department, was granted leave of absence without pay for the duration of hostilities, but with the retention of his superannuation rights.

Upon applying to the Council to be re-instated, Mr. Gifford was notified that there was no vacancy on the staff at the present time and in reply to his request for reconsideration of his application the General Purposes Committee decided that the question of his re-instatement must remain in abeyance until after the conclusion of hostilities.

In support of his application Mr. Gifford stated that he returned from Wales owing to the district where he was staying having adversely affected his wife's health and his own, and that he is unable to obtain unemployment pay from the Labour Exchange. He also stated that his financial position was such that he would have to make application for Public Assistance relief if he could not obtain employment, and that he had served the Council for 22 years.

OVERDUE TRAWLER

RAMSGATE SKIPPER MISSING

A Ramsgate trawler skipper, Mr. Thomas Sidney Stephens, formerly of No. 107 Hardres-street, is believed to have lost his life at sea.

Mr. Stephens was skipper of a trawler fishing off the west coast which is now so long overdue that it is regarded as lost. The vessel was last reported seen on 12th July.

Since shortly before the outbreak of war Mr. and Mrs. Stephens had been living at No 55 Priory-road, Milford Haven.

On 11th June Mrs. Stephens' eldest son was killed in an accident in Oxfordshire and another son is a prisoner of war.

PRIVACY

FOR RATE CONSULTATIONS

Broadstairs Council have approved, in principle, a suggestion made by Mr. W. D. Ellender, of High-street, St. Peter's, that a separate office should be provided for the Rating Officer, Mr. W. H. B. White, so that ratepayers who are desirous of consulting him in regard to their rates may do so in private.

As no suitable accommodation is available in Pierremont Hall, however, the Surveyor, Mr. S. W. Richardson, has been directed to prepare a scheme for the provision of a private room for the Rating Officer by means of an extension of the existing buildings.

L/CORPL. R. W. ATKINS

The third casualty list published in the current issue of "Ruym," magazine of Chatham House School, Ramsgate, included under the heading "Previously reported missing, now reported killed in action," the name of L/Corpl. R. W. Atkins, The Buffs.

Following the insertion of the list from "Ruym" in our issue of 25th July, we are informed that L/Corpl. Atkins has not been reported killed in action and we regret any pain and annoyance caused the relatives by the reproduction of the report in our columns.

WOMEN'S CHAT

ADVENTUROUS MENUS

To a large part of the non-English-speaking world, the inhabitants of these islands are still thought of as people with large protruding teeth who live exclusively upon roast beef, whisky and tobacco. While this picture can hardly be called accurate, it has, like most caricatures, a certain basis in fact. Beef looms large in the menu of the British housewife and still more in that of the British working man. Without beef he feels lost and considers himself starved.

Unfortunately in war-time beef, and meat in general, is unavoidably scarce. We have to make do with what other foods are available. Lord Woolton and his learned cooks spend hours of research concocting tasty and nutritious dishes from potatoes and other vegetables. Their efforts are, however, so often set to naught by the suspicious husband who greets his wife's first attempt at a Woolton Pie with such an accusing "What's this?" that all future experiment is discouraged.

Moderation Essential.

What we need to cultivate to-day is a certain adventurousness in eating. Moderation is, of course, necessary. There is no need to imitate too slavishly the gentleman who, according to Mr. G. K. Chesterton, ". . . gave good grass and water in pails, to a thousand Irishmen hammering rails." He was a martyr to experiment and found that "Appetites differ; and tied to a stake, he was tarred and feathered for conscience' sake."

Such enthusiasm is likely to cause trouble in the home. But a certain receptiveness to new ideas, a willingness on the part of the men of the household to try anything once, would certainly help the worried housewife in planning her meals. Let the British working man remember that hard work can be done on a variety of diets, from the handful of rice of the Chinese peasant to the raw seal steak and frozen fish of the Eskimo. Beef is not everything.

Rice is Nice.

In the last war one of the most overworked of foods was rice. We used it when potatoes were short. We ate it in a dozen different guises until some of us really did feel rather like the little girl in the Punch cartoon who, having her first meal in a restaurant, looked round incredulously and said "Mummy, do people really pay to eat rice pudding?"

In this war we again have plenty of rice but it has not been overworked because we also have a good supply of potatoes. Rice is allowed to take its proper place in the menu. It makes a splendid foundation for sweet and savoury dishes and is doubly welcome in these days of restricted choice of foods. But rice must be properly cooked.

Punch's little girl had apparently been given rice which was pure stodge. You will be quite pleased to pay to eat rice cooked in the proper way.

Foundation for a Savoury.

Rice is a good "background" for a savoury dish. This is how to cook it.

Remember that rice swells to three or four times its orignial bulk so therefore it must have plenty of water.

Have a pan of boiling salted water all ready and throw in the rice, keeping the water boiling, otherwise the rice will sink to the bottom and burn. After ten minutes of hard boiling, test a few grains between the teeth. If there is just a suggestion of hardness then the rice is done.

Some kinds of rice take longer to cook than others and that is why it is best to test it. Also one should remember that it goes on cooking in its own heat after it is taken from the stove.

Salads are nice with rice as a main ingredient. Try these two dishes while garden fare is at its best. Both are complete meals in themselves.

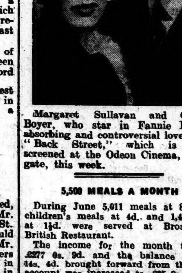
Three-Colour Salad.

Cook the rice as above and let it get quite cold. For four people you will need four teacupfuls of it, when cooked.

Cut up two or three cooked sausages, slice two tomatoes. See what you have in the way of cold cooked peas or runner beans and use those too, and mix these ingredients lightly into the flaky rice so that you have a colourful and appetising heap.

Now line a big salad bowl with crisp lettuce leaves which have been washed, dried and dressed lightly with a little seasoned vinegar or oil and vinegar. Pile the rice mixture on top of the lettuce and decorate with radishes split lengthways to form tiny "blossoms" and a little chopped parsley.

STARS OF BACK STREET



Margaret Sullavan and Charles Boyer, who star in Fannie Hurst's absorbing and controversial love story, "Back Street," which is being screened at the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate, this week.

5,500 MEALS A MONTH

During June 5,011 meals at 8d., 470 children's meals at 4d., and 1,496 teas at 1½d. were served at Broadstairs British Restaurant.

The income for the month totalled £277 0s. 9d. and the balance of £27 14s. 4d. brought forward from the May account was increased to £35 2s. 5d.

The question of providing wireless entertainment at the restaurant has again been deferred for a further period of three months.

Various matters relating to the administration of the restaurant were recently discussed when the committee granted an interview to the cook-supervisor.

DEATH OF MRS. ANNIE ACOCK

The death took place at her home, Maynooth, Salisbury-avenue, Broadstairs, last week, of Mrs. Annie Grace Acock.

Widow of the late Mr. William Fitzgerald Acock, Mrs. Acock, who was 71 years of age, moved to Broadstairs from Ramsgate in 1935. She was for many years a member of Ramsgate Sunday Conference and St. George's Mothers' Union.

Mrs. Acock leaves one son, Mr. A. G. Acock, who is serving as a yeoman of signals with the Royal Navy, and three daughters.

SIX KILLED BY BOMB

FIRING PRACTICE ACCIDENT

OFFICER'S ERROR OF JUDGMENT

Six soldiers, including three officers, lost their lives as a result of an accident which occurred during firing practice.

At the inquest at Margate last week it was stated that the accident was due to an error of judgment on the part of a company commander, who attempted to re-fire an unexploded trench mortar bomb.

The bomb exploded in the mortar, four men being killed outright and six injured. Two of the injured died later in hospital.

Capt. John Strickland Chaldecott, aged 25, the company commander, was among those killed.

The others were Lieut. Maurice Elmer Pomeroy, aged 26, Ptes. Albert James Craft, 26, and Eric Clappe, 22. The two who died in hospital were Lieut. Donald Ramsay, 21, and Pte. Frederick Ward Henry Williamson, 25.

On 21st Birthday.

The accident occurred on Lieut. Ramsay's 21st birthday.

The Deputy Coroner (Mr. J. H. Robinson) recorded a verdict of "Accidental death" in each case.

Sergt. George Ellison-James said trench mortar firing practice took place on Friday, 1st August in charge of Capt. Chaldecott. 15 bombs being fired from three trench mortars. One of the bombs did not explode, and Capt. Chaldecott went to find it. Other officers went to help him and they returned with the bomb. Capt. Chaldecott unscrewed the fins and fitted fins with a cartridge from a dummy bomb, remarking "It ought to make a perfectly good bomb now." Capt. Chaldecott lay down behind the mortar, took his range on the target and told Pte. Clappe he was on the target. Pte. Clappe then placed the bomb down the mortar and Capt. Chaldecott turned the trigger wheel.

A Terrific Explosion.

"The bomb burst in the mortar," said witness. "There was a terrific explosion. I was standing behind the company commander and it knocked me back about five yards into the trench. When I got out I found the captain, Mr. Pomeroy and Ptes. Clappe and Craft had been killed. Mr. Ramsay was seriously wounded in the back and Pte. Williamson in the leg."

Witness said several other men were also wounded. He and others rendered what assistance they could, with the help of P/S May and other policemen, until the arrival of the medical officer and ambulances.

Witness, replying to the Coroner, said he had been teaching the use of trench mortars for about two years, but had never before seen new fins and cartridge fitted to an unexploded bomb.

The Coroner: Is there any procedure in regard to unexploded bombs?

Witness: Yes. They should not be touched after they have been fired except by the R.E. who come along and explode them.

The commanding officer: That is not quite correct.

Unavailing Operations.

He added that he would explain the position when he gave evidence.

Dr. E. J. Bradley said Lieut. Ramsay was barely conscious when he was admitted to hospital suffering from two wounds in the back, shock and loss of blood. An operation was performed but the shock was too great and he died shortly afterwards.

The efforts made to save the life of Pte. Williamson were described by Dr. H. W. Parrott. Pte. Williamson was suffering from a compound fracture of the right leg, multiple injuries to the left thigh and a compound fracture of the left leg. A quick amputation of one leg had to be made and although Pte. Williamson regained consciousness, he died an hour later from shock and hemorrhage.

Capt. Colin McKeon Craig, R.A.M.C., said he was called to the scene of the explosion and found four men dead. Capt. Chaldecott and Ptes. Clappe and Craft had sustained severe head injuries, and Lieut. Pomeroy had a penetrated wound in the chest, in the region of the heart.

Pte. Thomas William Ray Quinnell, who was about five yards behind the mortar, helping Lieut. Ramsay, said he was blown to the ground by the explosion. When he got up he ran for help.

Answering the Coroner, witness said he had been trench mortar firing on and off for a year, being No. 1 in the team. He had never before seen new fins and a cartridge fitted to an unexploded bomb. They had instructions not to interfere with bombs once they had left the mortar.

The commanding officer said there was an order that all unexploded bombs should be marked and guarded until the arrival of the company's demolition party or the Royal Engineers. The effect of screwing on new fins and firing another cartridge into the bomb was almost suicidal. In his view the explosion was due to an error of judgment on the part of the company commander, who was not carrying out full instructions.

Ran the Greatest Risk.

Summing up, the Coroner spoke of the tragic circumstances in which those officers and men had lost their lives in a way, he said, which they ought not to have done.

"One does not like to say anything to reflect on a man who is dead," he went on, "but I think the company commander made an error of judgment. Probably it never really penetrated his consciousness that he was doing a very dangerous thing in refitting the bomb with a new cartridge and trying to fire it again. He could not have thought it was dangerous because he was the man who was running perhaps the greatest risk. He would not, I am sure, negligently have placed his men in such danger, and it was undoubtedly an error of judgment on his part."

The commanding officer expressed his thanks to the Chief Constable and police officers for their able assistance and also to the hospital authorities.

HEADMASTER AT HOME

The Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury, headmaster of Chatham House Boys' School, now established at Stafford, is visiting Ramsgate this week and will be at the school from 3 till 7.30 p.m. to-day to interview parents who wish to see him.

PARENTS RISK PRISON

BROUGHT BACK EVACUATED BOY

FIRST THANET PROSECUTION

A warning that if the child was not removed from the district within seven days a severe fine would be imposed was given at Margate police court on Wednesday, when the magistrates had before them the first case of a parent being summoned for failing to comply with an order of the local authority for the removal of the child.

Mrs. Mabel Sayer, of Hillbrow-terrace, Canterbury-road, Birchington, was summoned in respect of her 13-year-old son, Allan James Sayer.

The husband appeared in answer to the summons and said his wife admitted the offence.

The Town Clerk (Mr. P. T. Grove), who prosecuted, said the local authority, the Ministry of Health and the Regional Commissioner regarded the case as one of considerable importance.

On 5th June the Regional Commissioner made a direction for the compulsory registration on 23rd June of all schoolchildren in the borough between the ages of 5 and 14. He further directed that if any child between those ages entered the borough after 23rd June the person having control of the child should notify the local authority, and obey such instructions in respect of the child as the local authority might give, including instructions to send the child to the place whence he came or some other place.

Uniformity of Action.

In order that there should be uniformity of action in Thanet a conference was held at Broadstairs and it was decided by the representatives of Ramsgate, Broadstairs and Margate that unless there were exceptional circumstances all children between the ages of 5 and 14 who came into the area after having been evacuated should be required to leave within seven days.

In the case before the court the child was withdrawn from the reception area in Staffs. prior to the school holidays—29th June. The mother had had trouble with another child who was there and about 29th June went to Staffs. to bring back the child, a girl of 14. She saw the headmaster of the school and told him the girl was returning to Birchington. She said the boy was in comfortable surroundings and she certainly intended that he should remain where he was. In spite of that declaration she brought the boy back.

Notice was given to the mother on 9th July that the child was to be taken out of the borough within seven days. Defendant called at the office and was issued with a free railway warrant for the child to return to Staffs. on 25th July, and a free warrant for the mother to accompany the child to London and then return.

On 28th July, continued the Town Clerk, he received a letter from defendant in which she said she could not send the boy back as arranged. "We had an awful time with him on Friday night," she wrote, "and it would be worse when we got to London. I was not going to let him go and be upset. It would not be fair to the people he would be billeted with, and when I see other children here with their parents I cannot see why mine should be sent away . . . If they compel me to send my children away why don't they compel all the other parents to do the same?

Unheeded Representation.

The Town Clerk said the education authority had pressed for the compulsory evacuation of all school children but their representations had not been heeded by the Government.

Remarking that there were quite a number of other cases in which proceedings would possibly be taken, the Town Clerk said it was not for him, of for the magistrates, to argue as to whether the Order of the Regional Commissioner was logical or reasonable. It was an order, and so far as he was concerned he had to carry it out.

"As it is the first case I have no desire to press for a heavy penalty," said Mr. Grove, "but if a penalty is inflicted and the order is still not obeyed I shall have no alternative but to re-issue the order and, failing compliance, to ask for a very heavy penalty."

In reply to the Clerk (Mr. C. C. Maughan) the Town Clerk said the maximum penalty was a fine of £100 and three months imprisonment with hard labour.

Mr. Grove said there were about 1,500 Margate children evacuated to Staffs. and their billets could only be reserved for seven days during the summer holidays. If there was considerable air activity in the Midlands those billets would immediately be appropriated, and when the schools re-opened the children would be without billets and the whole system of education would be jeopardised.

"Any child can come back for seven days," said the Town Clerk. "There are very good reasons why they should return after that."

Awkward Parents.

"There are quite a number of parents in this part of Birchington who are being rather awkward and it is quite possible that next week, unless this case produces the desired effect, I shall have no alternative but to bring other cases before you and ask for penalties for failing to obey the order."

Mr. Sayer asked why, if they had power to send one child out, they hadn't power to send out the remainder.

The Town Clerk replied that unfortunately the magistrates could not deal with that. They could only deal with the order as it existed.

Sayer said the boy would have been in Staffs. now had it not been for his sister, who was unhappy and ran away.

The Clerk: Are you prepared to send your boy away?

Sayer: No, sir, not unless there is compulsory evacuation.

The Clerk: It is compulsory.

Sayer: Then why not all the others?

The Clerk: It is compulsory so far as your child is concerned. You are bound to obey this order.

Sayer: What's the penalty if I don't?

The Clerk: The magistrates can fine you £100, or send you to prison for three months, or both.

Sayer: If there is general evacuation I will send him.

The Clerk: You are running a very serious risk.

Sayer: Yes, but I am fighting for my child.

The chairman (Mr. W. Booth Reeve) said the case would be adjourned for seven days in order that the child could be removed. If the child was not sent away a severe penalty would be inflicted.

"I hope this will be a warning to all others whose children have returned," said the chairman. "They can rest assured they will not be so leniently dealt with as we are dealing with this case this morning."

DAYLIGHT RAID ESCAPES

Right: Although the room in which they were sitting was wrecked by a bomb during a recent raid on a south-east coast town, eight men escaped with only superficial injuries.

Below: Examining the wreckage after a bomb had partially demolished a house during the raid. A woman in a bedroom at the back of the house escaped almost unhurt.

TREE OF LIBERTY

DRAMA AT KING'S

Drama holds sway in the programmes being presented at the King's Theatre, Ramsgate, this week.

A page torn out of history, a headline torn out of to-day's newspaper, a tender, emotional love story as stirring as the saga of a people. That is the screen epic "The Tree of Liberty," starring Cary Grant, Martha Scott and Sir Cedric Hardwicke, which heads the bill to-day and to-morrow. Grant is seen as Matt Howard, buckskin clad frontiersman, who believes in freedom and democracy, and is prepared to sacrifice both his home and his happiness in order to fight for them. Miss Scott is cast as his wife, a gracious, beautiful Virginian belle, willing enough to fight the wilderness at the side of her husband, unwilling to fight both her family and her heritage because her husband believes that the majority must and shall rule.

"Blondie Plays Cupid," with Penny Singleton and Arthur Lake, is also being screened.

One of the most actionful and thrilling crime stories of the day, "This Man is Dangerous," featuring James Mason and Mary Clare, will be screened for the second half of the week. The story tells of a young private detective who interests himself in a murder which his father, a detective-inspector at Scotland Yard, is assigned to solve. This brings him in touch with a peer, whose daughter has been kidnapped by a gang of blackmailers, and there follows in its wake a host of exciting adventures.

Leo Gorcey and Bobby Jordan head the East Side Kids in "Here We Go Again," which will also be screened.

SINGING AIRMAN

DEATH OF A/C FRANK BROWN

Well known throughout Thanet as a singer, A/C Frank Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Brown, of No. 49 St. Peter's-road, Margate, has died while on active service with the R.A.F. in the Middle East.

A/C Brown, who was 23 years of age, attended Salmestone School and for seven years was employed by a local printer.

A member of the Cecil-square Baptist Church choir, he had won awards at the Thanet Musical Festival and carried off the Osborne Cup at Margate Eisteddfod in 1937.

Joining the R.A.F.V.R. before the war, A/C Brown was called up at the outbreak of hostilities and had been in the Middle East for about six months.

HONEYMOON AT BROADSTAIRS

The wedding took place at Pershore Abbey, Worcestershire, recently, of Sergt.-Pilot Raoul Alfred Gerald Tucker, R.A.F., younger son of the late Mr. Alfred H. and Mrs. Edith Tucker, of Rosemary-avenue, Broadstairs, and Miss Marjorie Kate Darby, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Darby, formerly of Margate-road, Ramsgate, and now living at Pershore.

Given away by her father, the bride wore a grey tailor-made costume, with accessories to tone. The duties of best man were carried out by L/A/C L. E. Darby, brother of the bride, and the Rev. J. D. Smith officiated.

The honeymoon was spent at Broadstairs.

Sergt.-Pilot Tucker, who prior to the outbreak of war was employed by Messrs. Vinten and Son, of Ramsgate, was treasurer of St. George's Young Men's Association for whom he played cricket.

RAMSGATE A.T.C. TROUNCED

The Margate Flight of the A.T.C. defeated the Ramsgate Flight by an innings and 12 runs in a cricket match on Bank Holiday.

In the first innings Ramsgate were all out for 10, Coleman taking 7 wickets for 4 runs.

Margate replied with 52 for the loss of 7 wickets and Ramsgate were then again dismissed for 30. For Margate, Lawrence was not out with 27 runs to his credit.

BOMB ON FORESHORE

SEAFRONT WINDOWS BROKEN

When picked up by searchlights, a German raider dropped a heavy bomb which landed on the foreshore at a south-east coast town on Wednesday night.

The bomb fell at the foot of some high chalk cliffs, which broke the force of the explosion.

The windows of a number of boarding houses, hotels, shops and private houses on and near the seafront were broken and pieces of chalk were hurled up on to the roads.

NO CASUALTIES

EMPTY HOME HIT

Although property was damaged there were no casualties when a south-east coast town had its first experience of night bombing on Tuesday.

High explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped but the incendiaries were quickly extinguished.

One wing of an unoccupied convalescent home received a direct hit and a private house, the occupiers of which are away from the district, was partially demolished.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Roberts and Mrs. Farley, aged 81, Mrs. Roberts' mother, were all in bed when a bomb scored a direct hit on an Anderson shelter in the garden. Mrs. Farley's bed was covered with glass and plaster but she was unhurt.

A policeman and his wife, who live opposite, went downstairs when the siren sounded. They returned after the bomb exploded to find part of the ceiling on the bed.

Bomb splinters which smashed the windows penetrated the walls of the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Forster. Mr. Forster ran downstairs and extinguished with sandbags two incendiary bombs which were blazing in the roadway.

Warrant Officer Schoolmaster Daulman, his wife and year-old baby were asleep when a bomb exploded in a nearby builder's yard. Pieces of bomb splinter embedded themselves in the wall above the bed and the baby's cot was covered in plaster.

VICAR'S OFFER

WILLING TO FOREGO FEES

Following his recent promotion, the Vicar of St. Peter's, the Rev. L. F. H. Hamel-Smith, who is serving as an Army chaplain in Northern Ireland, has offered to forego all claims to the churchyard and other fees.

When he was asked at an extraordinary meeting of parishioners in July to resign the living because they thought he was taking more out of the parish than he was putting in, it was stated that the churchyard fees amounted to about £104 a year.

The Vicar's offer was recommended for acceptance at a meeting of the Parochial Church Council on Thursday evening.

THE ECCLESIASTICAL NOSE

Councillor the Rev. A. W. MacMichael, Vicar of Minster, wrote to the Parish Council, of which he is a member, complaining of the smell of a sheep dip at Durlock.

"It is simply awful," he wrote in a letter read at a meeting of the Council on Tuesday.

Councillor the Rev. Father Keniry agreed, and added "When I passed on my bicycle recently the smell almost knocked me off."

The Council decided to refer the matter to the Sanitary Inspector.

NO REDUCTION

RATEPAYERS' MISTAKE

While examining more than 60 additional applications received from ratepayers for excusal of payment, the Finance Committee of Broadstairs Council observed last month that a number of the applicants were under the mistaken impression that, because the Council are receiving financial assistance from the Government, the amount of the rates payable by ratepayers should be reduced.

The committee accordingly directed the Clerk, Mr. E. F. Owen, to issue a statement to the local press explaining

(a) that, although the Council are receiving financial assistance from the Government their obligations to collect rates from persons who are in beneficial occupation of premises in the district still exist;

(b) that although the Council have taken every possible step to reduce their expenditure to a minimum, certain liabilities, such as loan charges, must be met while expenditure in connection with Civil Defence has increased,

(c) that but for the financial assistance, which the Government has granted, the rates in the urban district for the current financial year would have been 27s. 9·71d. in the pound instead of 13s. 8d.

In four cases the committee instructed the Rating Officer to give final notice for payment within seven days of the rates due for the year ended 31st March last. In others the committee remitted payment to the extent of certain amounts. The committee met again this week to consider further applications.

CLOTHED AND SHOD

CARE OF BROADSTAIRS EVACUEE CHILDREN

As the arrangements in operation locally are working very satisfactorily, Broadstairs Council have decided not to participate in the London County Council's scheme for the provision of clothing and footwear for children evacuated from the district.

The local scheme is administered in co-operation with Mr. T. O. Studd, representing the Evacuees' Welfare Committee, by Mr. F. S. Burrow, Sanitary Inspector, who recently attended a conference at which the L.C.C's. scheme was discussed at Tunbridge Wells.

In a report to the Council Mr. Burrow stated that magnificent work had been done by the Evacuees' Welfare Committee at Tamworth. The amount raised by voluntary effort was £75 1s. 1d. and the Council had paid accounts amounting to £6 18s. 2d. A balance remained in hand of £2 10s., after buying clothing and footwear to the value of £79 9s. 3d.

"The scheme now in operation," stated Mr. Burrow, "is simple in operation, reduces the clerical work involved, reduces postages considerably and effects a considerable economy in stationery. Mr. Studd agrees with me that it would be a retrograde step to interfere with the present satisfactory method."

The Council decided to continue the present arrangements.

FAITH IN FIRE CHIEF

AUXILIARY FIREMAN'S APPEAL

The report of the Fire Brigade Committee presented to Broadstairs Council on Wednesday stated that, upon consideration of a report of the Discipline Rules Sub-committee, relative to an appeal by Auxiliary Fireman A. J. Browning against a decision of the Chief Officer, it was resolved "that the report be received."

It was further resolved "that the committee record on the minutes of the meeting an expression of continued confidence in the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade (Mr. A. Bates)."

A YEAR AGO

During a fierce air battle over a south-east coast town F/O Dennis N. Grice sacrificed his life in order to save the town. When the fight was at its height a plane came zooming out of the clouds, black smoke streaming from its tail. As the machine flattened out flames spread along it from airscrew to tail. The pilot turned towards the sea, losing height rapidly. His plane was crashing towards the centre of the town but the pilot stuck to his controls. He manœuvred with great skill, skimming rooftops and dodging round a building high on the cliffs. Fifty yards from the shore the machine hit the sea, exploded and quickly burned itself out. The townspeople were saved. But would-be rescuers in a motor boat found no trace of the young pilot who might have saved himself. The Mayor of the town concerned expressed to the Air Ministry the gratitude of the townspeople to the heroic airman and his crew.

Fifty-three German machines—19 dive-bombers and 34 fighters—were shot down in the Channel on Thursday in the biggest air attack yet made on a British convoy. Sixteen of our fighters were reported missing.

"Ramsgate is rapidly becoming salvage-minded. Since the new campaign to separate bones, paper and metal was launched the amount of salvage collected has nearly doubled, although the population has continued to decrease."

25 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

THE WAR OF 1914-18

The roll of honour we are compiling has received a long list of additions this week. It is only a fortnight since we published a list containing some 250 names of local men who have died on war service and this week we have some score of additional names. The demon of war is reaping a rich harvest and sympathy will be extended to well-known local families in the bereavements they have suffered.

The casualties included Lieut. George Knight, of the Fort Garry Horse, son of Mrs. J. W. Woodhall, of Alberta, Cannon-road, Ramsgate, Lieut. Geoffrey Walter Melvin Burton, The Buffs, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Burton, of Clare Lodge, Ramsgate, who fell gallantly while leading his men to the attack on a village, and Capt. Leslie Reginald Coventry Douglas-Hamilton, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Reginald Douglas-Hamilton, of Broadlands, Broadstairs, and a cousin of the Duke of Hamilton. Capt. Douglas-Hamilton also fought in the South African War.

Our readers will join with us in offering hearty congratulations to Mr. Henry Weigall and Lady Rose Weigall upon the celebration of their golden wedding. For a great number of years they have been associated with public work in Ramsgate, one as the "squire" of Southwood and Lady Rose as the Lady Bountiful of the district in general and St. Lawrence in particular. Social work has chiefly occupied the time of Lady Rose and she is still a member of the Board of Guardians.

A pretty romance of the war is disclosed by the announcement of the wedding of L/Corpl. Eustace Joslin Perry, The Buffs, to Miss Jessie Helen Johnson, of Durham. L/Corpl. Perry, who is a brother of Messrs. E. E. and H. J. Perry, of Ramsgate, came home from Chicago to enlist in 1914 and in May last year was severely wounded in both legs during the fighting round Hill 60. He has since been a bed-ridden hospital patient and had to undergo serious operations. While at Beaufort Hospital, Bristol, he first met his bride, who is a nursing sister there, and the acquaintance developed into a love match. L/Corpl. Perry was taken to the church in a bath chair and his fellow patients strewed the pathway with roses.

A well-known Ramsgatonian who has been wounded in the recent big offensive on the British front is Sergt. J. H. Bligh, of the Sportsman's Battalion, who has been in the fighting line for many months past. He is described as being wounded in the thigh and knee. Sergt. Bligh has been successively an engineer, a printer's manager, director of a cinema and an actor for the "movies."

The rise in the price of milk at Ramsgate has produced the extraordinary suggestion that consumers should combine for the purpose of boycotting the milk dealers who have asked their customers to pay more. Why this Union of Milk Drinkers is suggested it is not easy to understand. The dairymen are not alone in increasing their charges. Almost every commodity, every necessity, and every luxury has gone up in price and the dead set suggested against the dairymen needs something more than a mere aversion to an increased charge to justify it. The farmer wants more for his milk and the consumer must pay for it.

50 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

A TRAGIC AFFAIR

There happened in the West Cliff part of Ramsgate on Sunday the most tragic affair that has occurred here since the Richardson murder in the Elms three years ago. There lived close to the windmill in Grange-road a family, the various members of which appeared to live on the happiest possible terms. It was therefore a matter of great surprise when the news became known on Sunday afternoon that the mother had cut her child's throat and afterwards committed suicide. At the inquest the jury returned a verdict that the mother murdered her child and afterwards committed suicide while temporarily insane.

TOUTING FOR BATHERS

At a meeting of Broadstairs Pier and Harbour Commissioners the Harbour Master reported that touting on the sands by bathing machine proprietors was nearly as bad as ever. The Clerk stated that he had written to Mr. Marsh and Mrs. Dreyfus warning them that if they did not refrain from touting more stringent measures would be adopted. Mr. Emery said he had remonstrated with Mr. Marsh for touting but that gentleman had treated him in a manner which he considered more forcible than courteous.

FLEET IN THE DOWNS

The fleet in the Downs has attracted a large number of visitors during the week, and the s.s. Conqueror has taken a large number of passengers to view "the walls of old England." The destination of the vessels is Portsmouth, where the French fleet is shortly expected to arrive.

Capt. Balfour, P.C.

SHARES HONOUR WITH THANET CONSTITUENTS

Having completed a three-week flying tour of Canada and the United States, Thanet's M.P., Capt. Harold Balfour, Under-Secretary for Air, was sworn as a member of the Privy Council on Wednesday.

Immediately after taking the oath Capt. Balfour, P.C., addressed the following message to his constituents through the medium of the Thanet Advertiser & Echo:

I hasten to send this message to my constituents, having just returned from an official tour of inspection of Royal Air Force training schools in Canada and also from visiting training establishments in the United States, during the course of which I flew about 20,000 miles in just three weeks.

While in central Canada I received a message from the Prime Minister asking if he could submit my name to His Majesty to be sworn as a member of the Privy Council. I to-day took the oath of a Privy Councillor and wish to tell my constituents how honoured I feel, for this is to me more than a personal recognition; it is due to, and must be shared with, my friends in the Isle of Thanet.

I have received many individual and collective congratulations, to all of which I hope I have replied; but in case there should be any whose good wishes I have not acknowledged, I ask that they will take this message as a recognition of my thanks to them.

The honour of being a member of His Majesty's Privy Council is great, and I trust it will make me the better able to endeavour to carry out the duties of Under-Secretary of State for Air and, as the representative of Thanet, to serve the interests of my constituents—not only those in the division but those who temporarily are living elsewhere.

Day and Night Air Offensive.

It is only because I am the Member of Parliament for Thanet that I am able to fulfil my duties as Under-Secretary of State for Air. Thus I can serve the Royal Air Force, the arm on which so much has depended in the past and on which so much rests at present as regards our ability to help Russia in the east by our offensive by day and night in the west. On the R.A.F. depends, I believe, our final ability to win the war by means of a superior bombing force which will then enable us to blast Germany's war industry off the face of the earth.

Just over a year ago Thanet was full of returning troops from the evacuation of Dunkirk. The enemy Air Force was bombing England by day and German fighters were trying to gain the mastery of the air. To-day, only a little over a year later, the position is reversed. We have the initiative. Now, our fighters sweep daily over enemy-occupied territory inviting Messerschmitts to come up and fight. Now, daily, our bombers in broad daylight and by night are penetrating deep into enemy territory.

This is the measure of achievement of the Royal Air Force in which Thanet can share with pride in the same way as I do.

I hope that I shall, before I leave my present duties, see such an overwhelming air strength for Great Britain as will ensure that Thanet and the rest of England are made secure from heavy air attack, while our offensive will be of such power that the enemy will be brought to his knees and Herr Hitler and his gang of thugs silenced for ever.

Good luck to all who keep the flag flying undaunted and unbowed in the Isle of Thanet Parliamentary Division.

MINER KILLED

NIGHT ROAD FATALITY

At an inquest at Canterbury on Tuesday, on William E. Harrhy, 43, a Chislet miner, of Wildwood House, Sturry, who was killed in a collision with a car driven by Mr. V. H. J. Todd, of Hardres-street, Ramsgate, a verdict of accidental death was returned.

The accident occurred at Staines-hill, Sturry, at about 11.15 p.m. on the previous Saturday, when Mr. Todd, accompanied by Mr. George Wood, a hawker, of Bright's-place, Ramsgate, was returning from Lewisham.

In a statement made to P/C Wall, Todd said "I was proceeding up Staines-hill on my near side at about 20 miles per hour. An Army car was coming towards me at the time. I saw a man run from the path of the Army car directly in front of me. I swerved sharply to my near side, collided with a fence and my car went into a garden. I thought my car had hit a man. I went back and found him lying in the middle of the road."

After hearing several witnesses the Coroner said he felt that the deceased alone was to blame for his death.

ROMANCE AND MUSIC

NEW DANCE TEAM AT ODEON

Romance and music mingle in the programmes being presented at the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate, this week.

The same sensational situations, the same wealth of emotional drama which made Fannie Hurst's great novel, "Back Street," one of the outstanding novels of the day, have been captured in the film version of the book, which heads the bill to-day and to-morrow. No better choice than Charles Boyer and Margaret Sullavan for the roles of Walter Saxel and Ray Smith could have been made. Skilled, convincing, competent in their handling of the delicately shaded situations, the two stars deliver their best performances in a picture packed with emotional and dramatic elements.

"Half a Sinner," with Heather Angel and John King, is also being screened.

"Second Chorus," the chief feature for the second half of the week, presents Fred Astaire and Paulette Goddard as a dance team. Miss Goddard dances for the first time in a film role, bringing vivacity and considerable prowess to the performance. Fred Astaire's spectacular number is one where he dances to the rhythm of "Swing Concerto," at the same time conducting the band. A bizarre comedy routine is his dance in the guise of a Cossack. Burgess Meredith, making his debut as a comedian, gives a great performance, and Charles Butterworth also contributes to the fun.

The supporting programme will include "Dad Rudd, M.P.," a streamlined successor to "The Rudd Family Goes to Town," with a cast headed by Bert Bailey.

"I should like to see more and more savings groups being formed in civil defence posts. The fire-bomb parties, in particular could add to the magnificent service they are doing by enrolling themselves in the war savings army and saving as well as fighting for victory."—Mr. Herbert Morrison, Home Secretary.

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— Also —
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in
HALF A SINNER
Showing 3.50, 6.40 (U)
THURS., Aug. 14th—For Three Days
Fred ASTAIRE Paulette GODDARD
in
SECOND CHORUS
Showing 2.10, 5.20, 8.30 (U)
— Also —
Bert Bailey : Connie Martin
in
DAD RUDD, M.P.
Showing 3.35, 6.45 (U)

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To-day & To-morrow. Cont. from 2 p.m.
CARY GRANT, MARTHA SCOTT in
THE TREE OF LIBERTY
With Sir Cedric Harwicke, Alan Marshal, Richard Carlson
Showing at approx. 3.15, 6.30 (U)
Also Penny Singleton, Arthur Lake, Larry Simms in
Blondie Plays Cupid
Showing at approx. 2, 5.10, 8.15 (U)
THURS., FRI., SAT.
Mats. Daily 2.0 p.m. Cont. from 6.0 p.m.
JAMES MASON, MARY CLARE in
THIS MAN IS DANGEROUS
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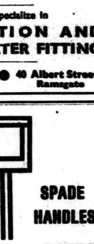

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RAMSGATE

Estimates for Removal or Storage.—Hardings, 3 Staffordshire-street, Turner-street, Ramsgate.

For Waifs and Strays.—The flag day held at Ramsgate in aid of the Waifs and Strays Society realised £24 11s. 5d.

Whist Drives.—Whist Drives in aid of the Mayor of Ramsgate's Troops Comforts Fund are held at Clarendon House Gymnasium every Thursday at 7 p.m. Tickets 1s. Come and spend a pleasant evening in a pleasant hall.

Things we are wanting to buy—Old Gold, Silver and Jewellery, Prism and Field glasses and we are willing to pay a good price—Prosser and Newbery, 48 Queen-street, Ramsgate.

Kitten Rescued.—A kitten belonging to Mrs. Rowland, of Townley-street, Ramsgate, that climbed an elm tree in the playing-ground of Christ Church school and became too frightened to descend was rescued from a branch over 40 ft. from the ground by Mr. William Goldsmith, an employee of the Corporation Works Department.

First Aid Post Whist.—Organised by Nurses L. Henshaw and L. Russell a successful whist drive was held at the Ramsgate Health Centre First Aid Post on Tuesday. The winners were Miss Joan Wright, Nurse L. Russell, Mrs. Solly, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Britcher, Dr. W. B. Loveless and Miss Moore. Travelling prizes of a particularly interesting character were won by Miss J. Andrews and Miss Moore.

A.F.S. Dance.—The Ramsgate A.F.S. staged a successful social and dance at the Oddfellows' Hall, High-street, on Saturday. With Mr. A. G. Dunwell as M.C. and Messrs. Ashby and Perkins as stewards, the event went with a swing to music provided by an R.A.M.C. dance band. Prizewinners in novelty competitions were Messrs. Poole and Oliver, Mrs. Philpott and Mrs. Belsey. The spot waltz prizes were won by Mr. Curtiss and Miss Froud and another dance competition was won by Mr. Hodgkinson and Miss Lodge.

WHITNEY STRAIGHT WINS D.F.C.

A/Sqdn./Ldr. Whitney Straight, who was shot down during a dog-fight while leading his Hurricanes over France on 1st August, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

The official announcement of the award stated that he had destroyed three enemy planes, one at night, and taken part in many engagements.

As reported in our last issue, A/Sqdn./Ldr. Straight, who won the M.C. during the campaign in Norway, is believed to have landed in France after ordering the rest of his squadron to return to base.

HELP YOUR NEIGHBOUR SCHEME

The task of helpers after an air-raid is made considerably easier when people who are rendered homeless go to the homes of friends or neighbours.

Mutual arrangements should be made beforehand so as to avoid delay and the overburdening of local facilities in times of stress.

Be prepared for any emergency. You can do a lot to help yourself by joining in the "Help your Neighbour" scheme.

BROADSTAIRS

Committee Resignation.—Councillor G. W. Lane has resigned from the Rating and Valuation Committee of Broadstairs Council, which considered 46 more proposals for amendment of the valuation list in July.

Y.M.C.A. Flag Day.—In further support of the Y.M.C.A. War Service fund a flag day is being organised at Broadstairs on Thursday by Mrs. B. J. Pearson, 130 High-street, who will be glad to receive the names of flag-sellers.

Death of Mrs. I. Mortimore.—The funeral took place at St. Peter's on Friday of Mrs. Isabelle Mortimore, who passed away at her home, No. 34 High-street, Broadstairs, on 3rd August at the age of 76. Mrs. Mortimore had lived in Broadstairs since 1915.

Cafe Rent.—Broadstairs Council have agreed to accept, on account and without prejudice, the sum of £20 in respect of the rent for the year ending 31st December, 1941, payable under the agreement between the Council and Messrs. T. Wall and Sons Ltd. in respect of the Joss Bay Cafe.

Fire Protection.—On the direction of the Senior Regional Fire Brigades Inspector Broadstairs Council are taking steps to provide three water storage basins, each capable of holding 200,000 gallons of water, as supplementary sources of water supply for fire fighting purposes.

Fire Spotters' Holiday.—The Surveyor (Mr. S. W. Richardson) has been authorised by Broadstairs Council to arrange for the roof spotters and fire watchers at Pierremont Hall and Rumfields Waterworks to be granted annual leave with pay on the same conditions as are applicable to Civil Defence volunteers.

Land Army Award.—At the recent rally of the Kent Women's Land Army Miss M. H. Walker, of Broadstairs, was among the recipients of the badge for sustained courageous services rendered to the country's agriculture. Miss Walker was among four girls who set an example to the other women by working continuously in glass houses while bombs dropped all round them.

He Likes Work.—Mr. W. Pritchard, one of Broadstairs Council's manual employees, has been informed that the Council cannot see their way to retain his services in a permanent capacity on the Surveyor's staff when he reaches the age of 65 in September, but that arrangements will be made for him to be offered casual employment on the staff of North Foreland Golf Course.

On Call—Broadstairs Waterworks Foreman, Mr. C. J. P. Scutt, is to be paid a flat wage of £4 10s. a week with cottage, free of rent, rates and lighting, in consideration of undertaking to turn out for duty for water mains repairs at any time of the day or night without additional pay. A similar agreement has been reached in respect of the services of the Road Foreman, Mr. E. Page.

Reducing Assessments. — Broadstairs Council have submitted a proposal for a reduction of the assessment of the North Foreland Golf Course and Club House and have given an assurance to the County Valuer that they will not ask for an assessment below a gross value of £89, rateable value £80. Special valuers to whom the matter was submitted by the Council have recommended a rateable value of £100 in respect of the Pier and Harbour undertaking.

Help Your Neighbour.—In connection with the "help-your-neighbour" scheme, Councillor B. J. Pearson, chairman of Broadstairs Council, appeals to the inhabitants of the district to make arrangements to assist each other by providing alternative accommodation for a few days in the event of need after an air raid. "I am sure that the advantage of the arrangement will," he writes, "be appreciated and I trust that those who have not done so will make the necessary plans at once."

Council Staff.—Mr. D. H. Wray, shorthand typist in the Treasurer's Department of Broadstairs Council, who has been prevented by illness from carrying out his duties since March, 1939, has been given formal notice to terminate his employment and Miss S. D. Danton, temporary assistant, has been appointed shorthand typist in the department at a salary of £2 per week. The salaries of Miss G. E. Drayson and Miss E. P. Glover, junior clerks in the Clerk's Department, have been increased from £1 to 25s. per week.

St. Peter's Protests.—Mr. W. D. Ellender, of High-street, St. Peter's, has been informed by Broadstairs Council that the Surveyor has for some time been giving attention to the question of the hedges, shrubs and trees which are overgrowing the pavements and footpaths in the district and that the work of cutting back is being carried out as speedily as possible with the limited labour at the disposal of the Surveyor. Mr. Ellender also protested against the reconstruction works recently carried out in Percy-road and has been supplied with the Surveyor's observations explaining the necessity for the work to be carried out.

MARGATE

Ante-Natal Clinic.—The ante-natal clinic at Margate Child Welfare Centre is being re-opened for one session per month.

Pig Farm.—Margate Council are serving statutory notices requiring that the pig farm at the Royal School for Deaf and Dumb should be put into a proper sanitary condition.

Charity Trustee.—Alderman F. L. Pettman has been re-appointed by Margate Council as a trustee of the Micklebeurgh Charity for a further period of four years.

Library Painting.—The tender of Messrs. J. Baker and Sons of £72 has been accepted by Margate Council for the external painting of the Public Library.

More Readers.—The number of books issued from Margate Public Library during June was 12,475 compared with 11,055 for the corresponding month last year. The daily average was 594 as against 502.

Payment During Illness.—When members of Margate Council temporary clerical staff are ill full payment of salary is to be continued for one month, after which the matter will be reported to the Emergency Committee for consideration.

FINANCING THEIR M.Ps.

Under the heading "Lucky Railwaymen," an editoral article in the August issue of the "Railway Stockholder" states:

"On the 31st of December, 1940, the accumulated funds of the National Union of Railwaymen totalled £2,708,000, being an increase of £160,000 during the first year of war. Every member pays 5½d. a week, of which 4d. goes to head office and from this source alone the N.U.R. received just over £300,000 in the year. From this Head Office Fund the expenses of 12 official Parliamentary candidates are paid, who look after the interests of members of the National Union of Railwaymen in the House of Commons.

"Those who have the interests of the 850,000 railway stockholdings cannot but regard these figures with envy. How different would be the prospects of stockholders and how changed would be the attitude of the public towards those who have invested their savings in British railways if they had a similar insurance fund and monies enough to subsidise a dozen potential Members of Parliament. 5½d. a week represents roughly £1 4s. a year. One-fifth of this amount from the 850,000 railway stockholdings would assure an income of £170,000 a year."

BLACK-OUT TO-DAY FROM 9.0 p.m. TILL 5.11 a.m.

Traders' Salvage Secretary

Mr. H. L. Summers, acting hon. secretary of Ramsgate Chamber of Commerce, has also undertaken the duties of hon. secretary of the local Traders' Salvage Scheme.

Since the inaugural meeting held a fortnight ago, the salvage scheme has made good progress and to the five areas into which the town was originally divided another has now been added to cover traders' premises at St. Lawrence, with Mr. Terrell as area officer and Mr. Daguati as his deputy.

COURAGE IN ADVERSITY

DEATH OF MR. F. J. BOBBY

Few men would have had the courage to face adversity with the same cheerful spirit as did Mr. Frederick James Bobby, J.P., founder of the famous firm which bears his name, who passed away at Eastbourne on Bank Holiday at the age of 81.

After being a rich man and retiring from the firm of Bobby and Co. Ltd., Mr. Bobby saw other business enterprises in which he was interested fail. He was over 70 years of age when he returned to the Margate business of his old firm in an advisory capacity and until a few years ago walked with agile step to the office each morning.

Mr. Bobby entered the drapery business at the age of 17 and was trained by Mr. (later Sir) Alfred Jermyn, a relative by marriage, at King's Lynn. While working at King's Lynn he met and married Miss Jessie Copeland, of Bury St. Edmunds, and they subsequently opened a drapery and grocery business at Solam.

Mr. Bobby then took a business at Bedford, but the town did not suit his health and in March, 1887, he acquired a business at 65-67 High-street, Margate, which was the beginning of Bobby and Co Ltd. The business made little progress during the first few years but the acquisition of a furnishing business at 59-61 High-street, into which Mr. Pearmain was taken as a partner, brought about an improvement. Further premises, including a printing works, were acquired and the firm of Bobby and Co. was formed in 1900.

Expanding Business.

Subsequently further businesses were opened at Leamington Spa, Folkestone, Eastbourne, Torquay, Bournemouth, Exeter and Southport.

In 1913 Mr. Bobby was responsible for building the excellent modern store at Cliftonville and he also acquired a printing works at Exeter. Furniture was made at a small factory at Union-crescent, Margate, and a larger factory was secured at High Wycombe.

After forty years full of business activity Mr. Bobby sold his interests in the firm in 1926. By that time it had become such a large concern that the balance sheet totalled about £2,000,000.

Although approaching 70, and virtually in retirement, Mr. Bobby took over a business in Bristol. He secured adjoining properties and converted them into an hotel. Then came the depression and the mortgagees appointed a liquidator. This led to two more of Mr. Bobby's interests—the Norfolk Hotel and the Hydro at Margate—coming under the liquidator.

Although now past his three score years and ten, Mr. Bobby came back to Margate once more to take up a post with his old firm.

Tribute From Bench.

A tribute to Mr. Bobby was paid by the chairman (the Mayor, Alderman G. P. Hoare) at Margate police court on Wednesday.

The Mayor said that for something like 35 years Mr. Bobby, their senior magistrate, assisted in the administration of justice in Margate and he was a gentleman who was highly esteemed by all.

THE BEST BOSS

FUNERAL TRIBUTES

The Mayors of Margate (Alderman G. P. Hoare) and Canterbury (Alderman C. Lefevre) were among the large congregation which attended the funeral service held at St. John's Church, on Friday, prior to the interment at Margate Cemetery.

In addition to members of the Town Council and the borough bench those present also included Mr. C. C. Maughan, Magistrates' Clerk, Mr. M. Borg, Clerk of the Peace, the Chief Constable, Mr. W. Palmer, Chief Inspr. H. B. Fleet, Messrs. E. J. Pettett and F. J. Chiddention, chairman and secretary of the High-street Traders' Association, Miss A. Garnett and Mr. L. W. Mitchell, matron and secretary of Margate Hospital, and a large number of employees of Messrs. Bobby and Co. Ltd.

The mourners were Mr. Arthur Bobby, Mr. Herbert Bobby and Mr. Wilfred Bobby (sons), Mrs. M. Venner, Mr. W. Ovens, Mr. W. L. Langston, Mr. W. Copeland, Mr. S. A. Chartres, Mr. W. J. McCarron and Mr. L. G. Coles.

The coffin was met at the church door by a guard of honour of members of Margate Police Force.

The service included the hymns "Lead, kindly light," and "Now the labourer's task is o'er," and the 15th Psalm "Lord, who shall dwell in thy tabernacle."

Before the service began Mr. H. E. Shallcross played "Coronach," a Highland lament, by Barratt, a movement from Beethoven's Pathetique Sonata, and, as the cortege entered the church Mendelssohn's "O Rest in the Lord." Mendelssohn's Funeral March was played at the close of the service.

Addressing the congregation the Vicar, Rev. D. V. Beckingham, said one of the outstanding merits of Mr. Bobby's character was his relationship with his employees.

A Model Employer.

"A model employer," added the Vicar, "is one of the things of which this country has greatly been in need, and will be in need more than ever after this war. The whole trend of the times has been that the employer has no kind of contact or feeling of respect or affection for his employees. The whole thing has become entirely mechanical, but you know much better than I do that that was not the case in the firm over which Mr. Bobby had such a long direction. The question of wages and holidays, and the question of the general well-being of those who served the firm were his first interest, and marked him out, as it was said to me yesterday, 'He is the best boss one could ever have.' That is a great tribute—'To do justly.'

"But justice is not enough. Justice can be rigid, and hard and cold. And so, added to that, man, in the sight of God, is required to love mercy. What a tremendous lot that means. To have a generous heart, a generous outlook, and a kindly, helpful disposition to those who need it. And once again I need not remind you that that was exemplified in the life of Mr. Bobby. We know full well of his constant care and love of children. We know full well he was one of those responsible for organising year after year trips at Christmas time to those men in the lightships who might easily be forgotten. He not only thought it was a good idea, but put the idea into practise, and himself was personally responsible for conveying those gifts, some of which he generously gave year after year.

"But beyond that, there are many in Margate—many individuals and many families—who in times of distress or poverty or strain found in Mr. Bobby a generous, sympathetic and kindly friend; one who not only gave advice, but backed it up with help as far as he was able . . . But all this was done with that grand Christian humility in the case of Mr. Bobby. He never sought public recognition. He never wished for his gift to be advertised. He never wanted public thanks. He had a high sense of duty and great talent which he used for the benefit of his fellow beings.

"And so," concluded the Vicar, "it is with pride and thanksgiving that we come here this afternoon to commend his soul to Almighty God, and give thanks for a life of service and great goodness. Margate will mourn the loss of one who has done so much for it. But Margate will be thankful to see in him a true application of the words of our text 'What doth the Lord require, but to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly.'"

Floral tributes were received from Ethel; Arthur and Nellie; Bert, Dolly, Sheila and John; Wilfred, Gladys and Beryl; Freda (granddaughter); All at Soham; Catherine Brown and family; Maud Venner; Thornton and Ethel; William Copeland; Miss H. Steane; Mrs. Alice Mussared; Miss K. M. Weller; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Langston; Mr. W. J. McCarron (Leamington Spa); Mr. D. T. Evans and Miss Sterry; Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Smith; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn; Alderman and Mrs. F. L. Pettman; Mr. and Mrs. W. Ovens; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bassett (Eastbourne); Hilda and Jack Seers (Eastbourne); Mrs. Fox (Jimmy); Mr. and Mrs. E. Pullinger; Roddy; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Farrell and family; Mrs. H. J. Anderson, Lily and Harry; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dennis; Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Tharle (Sheffield); Chief Constable, officers and men of the Margate Borough Police; Margate borough magistrates; Staff of Brown's Stores, Margate; Two old assistants, G.W. and A.F.; the directors of Debenhams Ltd.; Head Office staff, Bobby and Co. Ltd.; Catering staff, Bobby and Co. Ltd., Folkestone; Mr. H. O. Ebers (London); Mr. S. A. Chartres (Eastbourne); Miss Louise F. Leppard (Eastbourne); Miss G. Bailey (Eastbourne); Mr W. E. Rogers (Eastbourne); Miss M. Paul, Miss M. Meredith, Miss L. Barkway, Miss H. C. Page, Mr. R. H. Craske (Folkestone); Buyers and staff, Bobby and Co. Ltd., Folkestone; Mr. E. Blakeway (Bournemouth); Mr. and Mrs. Harrington (Bournemouth); Management and staff, printing works, Bobby and Co. Ltd.; Misses S. Turner, N. Frank, V. Hills, T. M. Bowell and W. B. Clarke (Bournemouth); Buyers and staff, Bobby and Co. Ltd., Margate; Manager and staff, Wellsteeds Ltd., Reading; Mr. and Mrs. J. Wherrett (Leamington Spa); Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Coysh (Exeter); Senior members of staff, Bobby and Co. Ltd., Exeter; Staff, Bobby and Co. Ltd., Eastbourne; Buyers and staff, Bobby and Co. Ltd., Bournemouth.

TRIBUTE TO MRS. HORSLEY

Members of Ramsgate Education Committee, meeting at Clarendon House on Friday, stood for a few moments as a tribute to the memory of the late Mrs. Margaret Horsley.

The chairman (Councillor Rev. Harcourt Samuel) said Mrs. Horsley was associated with the committee for only a very short time—from November last year—but they knew of the tremendous amount of good work she had done in other directions. The town was poorer for the passing of someone who sincerely tried to serve her generation as well as her God.

MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES

Recalled for service at the outbreak of war, P/O F. J. Turner, R.N., of Shropshire, Monkton, has been mentioned in despatches for "work in salvaging a supply ship."

Eldest son of Mrs. Turner, of Monkton Court-cottages, and the late Mr. F. W. Turner, of Reading Street, P/O Turner retired from the Navy about five years ago.

WOUNDED BUFFS

Officers and men of The Buffs reported in War Office casualty lists to have been wounded are T/Capt. B. M. Horley, 2nd Lieut. N. H. Perkins, L/Corpl. A. W. Basden, Sergt. N. P. Crook, Sergt. A. G. Sage, Ptes. G. A. Gillland, L. C. Madren and G. H. West; Sergt. M. G. Berry, L/Sergt. J. Kelley, Ptes. W. Cook, G. Treeman, A. J. Holman, V. J. Misselbrook, P. T. O'Grady and W. J. Taylor.

THE RESULT

"When Lord Woolton assumed office he found in existence perhaps the most perfect of all our commercial mechanisms—the wholesale and retail distributive trades. He promptly put it aside, sent it to Coventry, made it understand that it was not required. In its place he employed thousands of amateurs bulging with theory and void of experience. The result has brought great satisfaction to the hearts of his bureaucratic masters, and much disappointment to the stomachs of the rest of us."—Sir Ernest Benn in "Truth."

MOTHERS' CLOTHING COUPONS

To help expectant mothers to get the knitting wool and other materials they need for making baby clothes, an extra allowance of 50 clothing coupons is now obtainable.

All the applicant has to do is to get a certificate from the doctor or midwife booked to attend the confinement, or, if she attends an ante-natal clinic, from the Medical Officer of the clinic. This she should send by post or bring to the Public Health Department; if she has doubt about the address the doctor or midwife will tell her.

MINSTER

Vicar's Holiday.—During the absence on holiday in Wales of the Rev. A. W. MacMichael, Vicar of Minster, services are being conducted by the Rev. C. A. Peacock, of Margate.

CRICKET

POLICE LOSE AT CHISLET

Ramsgate Police did not have the best of luck in their 12-a-side match with Chislet at Chislet on Sunday.

Chislet started badly and lost five wickets with only 19 runs on the board. The turning point was when Tredale, who went on to make 24, was missed in the early stages. Haslow was unbeaten with 20 to his credit when the last wicket fell at 94. Page took five wickets for 31 runs.

The police were dismissed for 40, S/C Hurst (12) being the only double-figure contributor against the bowling of Sutton, whose five wickets were obtained at a cost of 18 runs and Machin, who took three wickets for a run apiece.

Chislet.

Hogbin, c Hicks b Honess	0
Drake, c Reid b Page	1
Trim, b Saunders	19
Ormerod, c Page b Honess	0
Worgan, c Hurst b Honess	7
Sutton, b Page	1
Tredale, c Page b Saunders	24
Haslow, not out	20
Broadley, b Saunders	4
Machin, c Hurst b Page	2
Charlton, c Hurst b Page	4
Hart, c Fortescue b Page	5
Extras	7
Total	94

Bowling: Page, 5 for 31; Saunders, 3 for 20; Honess, 3 for 22.

Ramsgate Police.

Slinn, b Sutton	1
Reid, run out	6
Saunders, lbw b Machin	7
Honess, b Sutton	3
Hurst, b Sutton	12
Sims, c Machin b Sutton	7
Page, c Trim b Charlton	2
Brooks b Charlton	0
Fortescue, run out	1
Hicks, b Charlton	0
Jenner, not out	1
Bampton, c Hart b Sutton	0
Extras	0
Total	40

Bowling: Sutton, 5 for 18; Charlton, 3 for 3; Machin, 1 for 19.

A.T.C. VICTORY

Ramsgate A.T.C. defeated Ramsgate Working Men's Club by 60 runs on Saturday.

A fifth wicket partnership between Atkins (34) and Cocking (44) enabled the boys to reach a total of 121.

The Club was dismissed for 61, Atkins taking 5 wickets for 10 runs. Sinclair (27 not out) headed the batting.

Ramsgate A.T.C.

Miller, b Blake	0
Appleton, b Martin	6
Morris, run out	6
Flower, c Martin b Dudman	0
Atkins, hit wkt., b Martin	34
Richardson, run out	0
Cocking, b Crust	44
Thom, not out	12
Bailey, b Martin	2
Butler, b Crust	3
Austin, b Cook	8
Extras	6
Total	121

Ramsgate Working Men's Club.

Martin, b Appleton	4
Limb, c Miller b Appleton	0
Barker, c Miller b Bailey	11
Crust, st Richardson b Appleton	10
Dudman, c Miller b Atkins	6
Sinclair, not out	27
Blake, b Atkins	0
Martin, hit wkt.	0
Shields, c Miller b Atkins	0
Cook, b Atkins	0
Edwards, c Miller b Atkins	0
Extras	3
Total	61

WEAK VINEGAR

Of 23 samples of milk and other foods submitted by Margate Sanitary Inspector to the public analyst during the first six months of the year all were certified as genuine with the exception of two samples of vinegar, which were deficient in acetic acid.

Letters of warning, it was reported to the Council, had been sent to the vendors of the two samples.

As the result of reports received of the bacteriological examination of four samples of ordinary milk, the vendor of one sample was requested to attend a meeting of the Health Committee.

SIR AUCKLAND GEDDES' SIGHT

Sir Auckland Geddes, Commissioner for Civil Defence No. XII South-Eastern Region, who was released from his duties to undergo an eye operation necessitated by the progressive deterioration of his sight, has made a remarkable recovery.

It is now learned authoritatively that the operation, one of extreme delicacy, has succeeded beyond anticipation.

It was a cataract operation elaborated to meet special conditions, resulting from an old standing, deep-seated, central burn of the right eye on which Sir Auckland has had to rely since the total destruction of his left eye 18 years ago.

Now, a fortnight after the operation, Sir Auckland sees both at short and long range better than at any time for many years.

The prognosis of his oculist is that this good sight will prove stable and permanent.

FIVE COUNCILLORS WANTED

Nominations are invited by Ramsgate Town Council for the co-option of five new members.

The vacancies have been created by the fact that Aldermen J. T. Huddlestone and A. Keen and Councillor W. J. Roff have ceased, through non-attendance, to be members, and that Councillors J. J. White and T. W. Mockridge have recently been promoted to the aldermanic bench.

Aldermen White and Mockridge both represented the West Central Ward and Mr. Roff the East Cliff Ward.

"HOME"

[The lament of a Ramsgate evacuee.]

I want to go to the Kentish hills,
And to see the cliffs, and rocky shore;
I want to walk along the front,
And to smell the sea once more.

I want to talk with those I love,
And I know a welcome I shall find.
Each night I pray to the One above
Some day to meet those left behind.

I want to tread the sandy beach,
And the roads that lead to the shore,
To do again the things now out of reach,
I want to be home once more.

D.S.C.

BEQUEST TO ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

The late Mr. Edwin Rigden, of Dumpton Park-road, Ramsgate, who left £15,233, bequeathed £800 to St. Luke's Church.

He also left £100 to Sturry parish church and £50 to St. Bartholomew's Church, Sandwich, upon trust for the upkeep of certain graves.

HARVEST WORKERS' RATIONS

The Ministry of Food announces that the arrangements for harvest workers to obtain extra allowances of cheese, tea, sugar and margarine, apply to all farms, whether large or small, and also to smallholders who employ a few extra workers at harvest time.

The extra allowances are available to working farmers and smallholders, as well as to their employees.

HAPPINESS IN WAR-TIME

SHARING IN THE COMMON EFFORT

By C. E. M. JOAD

[All who listen on Sundays to the B.B.C. feature "Any Questions?" will, as they read this article, be reminded irresistibly of Professor Joad's infectious good humour as he reduces some abstract problem to its simplest terms.]

When the war broke out on that hot September day nearly two years ago, I was in Scotland trying with indifferent success to catch trout.

It was a beautiful place; high up on a moorland, with tremendous views of mountains on every side, and I asked myself: Why hurry back? Why, indeed, go back at all? I had always been a pacifist. The outbreak of war had destroyed the work and frustrated the hopes of 20 years. What part, I asked myself, had I in this thing which I had striven so hard to prevent? In any event, I wanted a period of quiet and solitude to think out my position afresh. For such a purpose, what place could be better than the one I was in? So, foolishly innocent, I reasoned with myself.

Within three days I was back in London. Within three days the solitudes had got on my nerves. I was frantic for intercourse with my fellow men; I must, I felt, be at the centre of things to hear the news, to suffer and hope and work with the rest; whatever might be going on I must, I realised, have a part in it. Within a week I was anxiously trying to find war work.

Since the early days of the war, I have been through these same emotions again and again. Again and again I have gone to the country hoping to write the great book, or to possess my soul in peace and solitude with nature.

Again and again, after a few days, I have come scuttling back in a frenzy of anxiety about the war, till at last I have had the wisdom to learn the lesson of my experience. And the lesson is that there can be no happiness for me and little, I imagine, for anyone else whose life is not spent in hard and unremitting work arising out of the war. Granted that there is such work, granted that a man has a share in the common task, granted that he is too busy and preoccupied to have leisure to wonder whether he is miserable or not. Then even in war-time he may be tolerably happy.

Comparatively Few Casualties.

Let us suppose that a man or woman is visited by the grief of no intolerable loss, that, even if his home has been bombed, those who are nearest and dearest to him still survive unhurt, and that he is not in daily anxiety on their behalf.

And here let it be said that, mercifully, very few of us have suffered such loss or are suffering such anxiety. One of the outstanding facts about this curious war is the small number of casualties. More than 90,000 have been killed or injured during air raids on this country. We had some 60,000 men in Greece all told. When General Wavell swept through Libya in the winter the forces at his disposal, so we are assured, did not exceed 30,000. If the forces so far engaged have been small, the proportion of those killed has been smaller. Large numbers have been taken prisoner—so large, that I have sometimes wondered whether the end of the war might not find each of the belligerent nations maintaining a large proportion of the population of its enemy as prisoners of war—but comparatively few have been killed. The word "comparatively" is intended to convey a comparison with the figures of the last war. In the Passchendaele offensive in the autumn of 1917, for example, we lost between 400 and 500 thousand men; the Germans, 250 thousand . . .

In the light of these figures it may still be said that comparatively few of us have as yet experienced that intolerable anxiety, that awful sense of loss, which forbade happiness to so many in the last war.

Where Happiness is Found.

Now in the absence of grave personal loss there is nothing to prevent men and women finding happiness where they have always found it, in the sense of being used to every ounce of their energy and every inch of their capacity in hard and unremitting activity which they believe to be worth while, because they know their cause to be worth while.

For the truth is that to a great many people who lived, in the days before the war, idle and useless lives, with energies untapped and faculties running to waste, the call to activity in field and factory, in office and workshop, has brought a happiness hitherto unrealised, enabled them to lift themselves up out of the selfish little pit of vanity and desire which is the self, and absorbing them in a common purpose which is greater than the self. It has given them the sense of being at one end of a rope on which they are engaged with their neighbours in pulling their hardest in a gigantic tug-of-war against the common enemy of us all.

To participate with our fellow men in a common effort for ends that are felt to be important is to lay the foundation of happiness in war-time. Such a foundation means that, instead of being, as was the case with so many of us before the war, discontented unless there was some positive reason for contentment, men are now contented unless there is some positive reason for discontent.

Aristotle's Recipe.

So much for the background. But the background is not all. The best recipe for happiness—we have Aristotle's authority for it—consists in the living out to the full scope of one's faculties and energies in appropriate and exacting work, interspersed with periods of recreation in leisure, in art, in reading, and in intercourse with one's friends. What meaning, in terms of the prevailing conditions can be given to the "periods of recreation"? Speaking for myself, I have rarely found them so agreeable. They derive an added sweetness from the intensity of the effort which has preceded them and the grimness of the background against which they are set.

Speaking again for myself—yet here I know I speak for many of my friends—I have found an intense pleasure in country sights and sounds. Again, I have never listened so often or with so much enjoyment to music as during these last 20 months. Great music, which for me is the music of Bach and Mozart, instead of being ruined, has derived an added power and beauty from the thunder of the guns.

More often and more continuously at home, one sees more of the people whom one really likes; less, that is to say, of one's hundred-and-one acquaintances and more of the two or three friends. By common difficulties and dangers people are driven closer together and one's real friends emerge from the ruck of one's acquaintances.

Next there has been the discovery of the garden. When the war began, I had to dispense with the services of a gardener and make such shift as I could to take his place.

Finally let me mention the pleasures of reading aloud. Good literature, like other pleasures, should be enjoyed in company. If, when we are close-penned in our houses on winter nights, we have learnt to read aloud and to be read to, the war will again have restored to us an art which was in danger of being lost, and which it will be an unmixed gain to have recovered.

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SCHOOLS' ROYAL ACADEMY

Sir Edwin L. Lutyens, President of the Royal Academy, will open the national poster competition for schools at the Royal Academy on Saturday, 23rd August.

The exhibition, promoted by the National Savings Committee, will be open daily throughout the following week.

The posters to be displayed are the work of scholars from five to 18 years of age. Over two hundred education authorities have co-operated and many local exhibitions have been held. Upwards of a million people have visited these exhibitions in recent weeks.

At least fifty thousand posters have been produced of which three thousand have been chosen and sent to the National Savings Committee. Further selection has reduced the number to 1,500.

Mr. J. W. H. Brown, a former president of the National Union of Teachers, and now Adviser for War Savings in Schools, is responsible for the exhibition.

A BROTHER'S MEMORY

In memory of his brother, who was rescued by the Ramsgate lifeboat 59 years ago from a yacht wrecked on the Goodwin Sands, Mr. George B. Angier, of Brightlingsea, has given £100 to the Royal National Lifeboat Institution.

Births, Marriages, Deaths

BIRTHS

Dennis.—3rd August, at Southbury Villa, Westbrook, Margate, the wife of Raymond Dennis, R.N., of a son.

Sackett.—3rd August, at 7 Beatrice-road, Margate, the wife of William Sackett, of a son.

MARRIAGES

Brace—Fright.—4th August, at the Parish Church, Rickmansworth, Edward Charles Brace, of Croxley Green, to Ethel Mary Fright, of Birchington.

Parker—Williams.—5th August, at the Register Office, Ramsgate, Percy Edwin Parker, of Ramsgate, to Iris Williams, of Porth, Wales.

Sibley—Smith.—3rd August, at the Baptist Church, Sipson, Middlesex, L/Corpl. A. E. Sibley, of Maidenhead, to Dorothy Mabel Smith, of Sipson, and late of Margate.

Standley—Waller.—30th July, at the Salvation Army Citadel, Ramsgate, Edwin George Standley to Kathleen Jessie Waller, both of Ramsgate.

Tucker—Darby.—30th July, at Pershore Abbey, Worcestershire, Sergt.-Pilot Raoul Alfred Gerald Tucker, of Broadstairs, to Marjorie Kate Darby, formerly of Ramsgate.

DEATHS

Abbott.—3rd August, at Staines Emergency Hospital, Ashford, Middlesex, Ernest Martin Abbott, of Cedric House, Ethelbert-crescent, Cliftonville, Margate, aged 64 years.

Acock.—4th August, at Maynooth, Salisbury-avenue, Broadstairs, Annie Grace Acock, aged 71 years.

Allen.—2nd August, at Deveron, near Truro, Cornwall, Caroline Allen, formerly of Ramsgate.

Bobby.—4th August, at Ravenscar, Old Camp-road, Eastbourne, Frederick James Bobby, of Whitecliffe, Birchington.

Floyd.—5th August, at Eastbourne, Gertrude Emma Floyd, late of Margate.

Goodbun.—26th July, suddenly, at Mays Villa, Mays-road, Ramsgate, Herbert Goodbun, aged 40 years.

MacLachlan.—2nd August, at Boscombe Hospital, May Caroline MacLachlan, of Kingsgate.

Mortimore.—3rd August, Isabella Mortimore, of 34 High-street, Broadstairs, aged 76 years.

Taylor.—6th August, at St. James' Hospital, London, Margaret Taylor, formerly of 11 La Belle Alliance-square, Ramsgate, aged 66 years.

RETURN THANKS

Mrs. H. Goodbun and family wish to thank all kind friends for flowers and sympathy in their recent bereavement.—Mays Villa, Mays-road, Ramsgate.

IN MEMORIAM

Elliston.—In loving memory of our dear wife and mother, Emily Louisa, who passed away at Grove Park, London, on 11th August, 1940.—Ever remembered by her sorrowing husband and daughters.

Pluck.—In ever-loving memory of our dear Dad and Mum, Rose and William Pluck, who passed away 12th August, 1939.—Never forgotten by Frances, Winnie, Charlie, Bob and Ted.

We shall meet them some bright morning
Resting by the waters fair.
They are waiting for our coming
In the Upper Garden there.
—173 Margate-road, late of Townley-street.

Setterfield.—In loving memory of my dear mother, Ellen Emily Setterfield, who passed away 9th February, 1933; also dear father, Edward Lewis, who died 14th August, 1940.

The years roll on but memories linger.
Not forgotten by their sons, Ted, Tom and Frank.
Present address: 2 Montefiore Cottages, Hereson-road, Ramsgate.

Setterfield.—In loving memory of our dear brother, Edward Lewis Setterfield, who fell asleep 14th August, 1940.

To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die.
Ever remembered by his sisters and brother, Nellie, Ethel and Walter.
—13 Trinity-place, Ramsgate.

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